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The Editor's Page

This is being written in Fulton, Missouri, where the N.A.D. Conference of Representatives of state associations of the deaf has just come to a close, on Thursday, June 14, and we shall use this space this month to describe the major features of the Reorganization

Plan adopted at the meeting.

By this time it must be known to readers of this publication that the meeting in Fulton was for the purpose of studying plans submitted by the Reorganization Committee for revisions of the Association by-laws. Twenty-eight delegates were present, including three officers and three members of the Executive Board. If space limitations prevent listing their names in this issue, they will be published later. More detailed information on the deliberations of the Conference will come later. The new by-laws recommended by the Conference will be submitted to the convention at St. Louis in 1957 and if adopted there they will become the new laws of the Association.

Probably the most significant change proposed was a new system for governing conventions and the activities of the Association. Two governing bodies will be recommended, giving the Association a bicameral system. The official delegates from state associations, together with the officers and members of the N.A.D. Executive Board, will comprise the decisive legislative body, and the members at large, or general assembly, will make up the other body. The major decisions at conventions will be made by the delegates, or Council of Representatives, as will elections of officers

The Fulton Conference also adopted measures to insure the Association of greater financial stability, and a more regular income. State Associations cooperating with the N.A.D. will be asked to pay to the N.A.D. an annual amount representing two dollars for each of its members. If all the state associations accept this cooperative plan, the present financial difficulties will be reduced considerably, if not completely eliminated.

A plan of representative membership was adopted by which each state association will have convention voting power in proportion to the number of members on its rolls, since all members of the state associations automatically become members of the N.A.D. However, no state association will be given more than three votes. The plan provides for contributing members, or individuals who contribute to the Association's finances, but there will no longer be solicitations for life members or annual dues paying members.

It was recommended by the Conference that the Executive Board consist of ten members, instead of the present nine members. One Board member will be added, which gives the Association four officers and six Board members. The Board members are to be elected two at each convention so that there will always be four hold-over members on the Board. Officers are to be elected every four years, but conventions are to meet every two years.

The matter of including standing committees in the laws received a considerable amount of attention, but it was finally referred to the Reorganization Committee and a plan will be submitted

to the St. Louis convention.

Those, we believe, are the most important features adopted at the Conference. If accepted at the St. Louis convention, they will make the N.A.D. a federation of state associations, and through their representatives they will constitute the real governing body of the N.A.D. Such a federation plan seems to be the plan most widely demanded among the deaf.

The Fulton Conference was one of the most harmonious of all such meetings. There was lively argument, and there were carefully considered discussions, but there was final and definite agreement on all phases of the program. The delegates also enjoyed their stay at the Missouri School, thanks to the careful planning by Chairman G. Dewey Coats and local committee Chairman Max Mossel. At an "Amateur Night" Wednesday evening the delegates contributed \$107 to the N.A.D., and it was decided unofficially that this meeting would be known as the "Century Club Conference." The delegates were unanimous in their praise of the hospitality accorded them at the school, and for that their thanks were expressed to Superintendent and Mrs. Harrison.

Now the N.A.D. is well along toward being reorganized. The St. Louis convention will wind up the program and then it will be up to the deaf of the land to give it their support.

Following the Fulton meeting, most of the delegates were preparing to move on to St. Louis, where an N.A.D. rally was to be held on Saturday. Next month we shall give a more complete report on the Conference.

Here is a list of the delegates who attended the Fulton Conference: C. H. Rodgers, Ala.; P. R. Graves, Pa.; J. M. Smith, Ark.; P. Lee, Iowa; G. L. Allen, Minn.; L. J. Massey, Ind.; M. D. Garretson, Mont.; L. L. Duning and H. C. Duning, Ohio; Mrs. L. G. Andrewjeski,

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Sisto's of Rome . . .

A Flourishing Restaurant Operated by Giansant Brothers By Howard McDonald

(Editor's Note: Herewith is an article which originally appeared in the Observer-Dispatch of Utica, New York, describing one of the most outstanding restaurants in the United States, as far as the deaf are concerned — Sisto's of Rome, New York, operated by the Giansanti brothers, who have made an outstanding success in the field which many would consider an impossible one for the deaf.

We asked NAD Secretary-Treasurer Bob Greenmun, an experienced Sisto diner, to introduce Sisto's, and following is what he wrote:

Dining at Sisto's is not merely eating

- it is an experience.

Prior to taking up residence in Rome the N.A.D. Secretary-Treasurer weighed 150 pounds, and tolerated spaghetti. He now weighs 200 pounds, and is a connoisseur of spaghetti. When he first attempted to do away with a platter of Sisto's spaghetti he was able to plow through only a quarter of the platter before "his middle swelled so mightily he couldn't reach his plate." After a five year training period he is now able to wipe up the last bit of sauce from the platter and call for a dish of spumoni to polish off a splendid meal.

Sisto's spaghetti is cooked to order. The sauce is a family secret, and is one of the reasons that Sisto's has enjoyed such a steady increase in business over

the past few years.





The entrance to Sisto's, recently remodeled and modernized.

When the house specialty is ordered it comes on a double sized platter with meat balls, mushrooms, peppers, and hot sausage, and one has to be in good training if he is able to put himself on the outside of that gastronomic mountain of gustatory delight.

When we entered upon our Roman sojourn the Giansanti brothers had just taken over the business by purchasing the shares of the other members of the family. At the time Sisto's boasted a pre-prohibition bar, heavy and massive. Past the feet of those who leaned their elbows thereon flowed a small stream—a gutter filled with running water washed away the cigarettes and other matter dis-

carded by the drinkers. It also served as a spittoon. Old fashioned straight backed chairs surrounded square wooden tables. The old range coughed and sputtered in the kitchen, and filled the place with its greasy fumes.

Five years later the transition from ugly worm to beautiful butterfly was complete. Additions included a handsome new front, a complete new kitchen with the finest range and oven money could buy, a new bar backed by a clever mural with back-lighting that transforms a Mediterranean scene into a colony of beautiful women, new booths, new restrooms, floor, ceiling, and office. The present day Sisto's is not only one of Rome's most popular restaurants, but also one of the most beautiful in upstate New York.

The Giansanti brothers have made an outstanding success in a field which many would consider as being an impossible one for the deaf.)

ALTHOUGH they can neither hear nor talk, two Rome brothers who have bridged the gap between a world of silence and a world of words are operating one of the most flourishing restaurants in the city.

They are Armondo and Angelo Giansanti, proprietors of Sisto's Restaurant at 249 W. Dominick St.

Armondo and Angelo, deaf since birth, took over the business eight years ago, following the death of their father, Sisto Giansanti, who established the restaurant in 1932.

The Giansanti brothers, Armondo, left, and Angelo, watch as Edward Markum, night chef, cuts pizza pie, a noted Sisto specialty. All three are deaf.



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Armondo is the business side of the Giansanti brothers combination. A student of business administration, he hopes to get his degree at Utica College of Syracuse University in 1957.

Despite their handicap, the business has grown and prospered. Each year shows a substantial gain over the previous year's business. Today, the Giansanti brothers are proud of the fact their books reflect an increase of 160 percent in busineess since they assumed ownership, an average annual increase of 20 percent.

Both are quick to give the other the lion's share of the credit for their success. Armondo serves as business manager and handles books and office work. while Angelo supervises the cooks and waitresses. Angelo, in his work has more contact with the customers. "Angelo has

a way with people."

Armondo also attended Rochester Institute of Technology for a year and has completed several correspondence courses, including one co-sponsored by Chicago University and the national Restaurant Institute. He also attends night school at Utica College and hopes to get his degree in business administration by the end of 1957.

Before entering the restaurant business, Armondo was a linotype operator for the Rochester Times Union for four years and prior to that owned a printing shop in Rome for a year. He still goes back to setting type occasionally at the Utica Press to "keep in practice." mondo is chairman of the attendance committee of the Rome Optimist Club.

The two brothers have little difficulty in conversing with their employees since most of the 24 full-time and part-time

Interior view of part of Sisto's restaurant.

employes are able to "speak on their hands," including all the waitresses. The brothers make it a point, in most cases to teach new employes the sign language to prevent a confusing situation. Most of the employes are able to "sign well" in a few months, Armondo pointed out.

True, figures can't be ignored in the appraisal of the progress of business. Yet there are other important factors - human factors - which tend to reflect even in greater degree the success of an enterprise.

The fact that many of the regular customers of Sisto's Restaurant have learned the sign language to enable them to converse with Armondo and Angelo, in itself attests to the high regard in which they are held.

The Giansanti brothers also received countless letters from former customers who have left Rome, including many servicemen all over the globe who were once assigned to Griffiss AFB. Many of these messages have the same theme: "We miss your pizza." (The restaurant is known for its pizza, spaghetti and veal).

One letter from a couple in California even suggested the brothers move there and open up a restaurant specializing in these dishes. An airman walked in one day and said the restaurant had been recommended by a buddy in Japan, formerly stationed at Griffiss.

As can be expected, there are some humorous incidents in connection with their language difficulty. The Giansanti brothers recall one especially.

One day, a "speaking" friend dropped in to visit Angelo. Later, the two were joined by another of Angelo's "speaking" friends. Both could speak the sign language fairly well. The three carried on a lengthy conversation on their hands.

After leaving his friends for a minute, Angelo returned to the table to find, to his amusement, his two friends, strangers to each other, struggling with the sign



Angelo, who looks after the management details, confers here with Miss Virginia Clemens, a waitress. The employees and even many of the customers, have learned the manual alphabet or the sign language.

language to converse. Neither apparently knew the other could talk. Angelo smiled and informed the two they had no need of the sign language.

Despite their busy hours in the restaurant, both Angelo and Armondo find time to relax with their families and their hobbies. Armondo likes pistol target and Angelo enjoys golf and sketching.

Armondo, 36, is a father of two children, Charles 13, and Colleen, 7, both of whom are deaf. Armondo's wife is the former Jeannette Sandusky, a Rome girl, also deaf since birth. They live at 105 Stanwix St.

Angelo, who is 40, has a set of threeyear-old twin girls, Deborah and Darlene. Both can hear and speak. Angelo's wife is the former Olga Kowal, Rome, who became deaf at the age of 10. They live in an apartment over the restaurant. The Giansanti brothers are the only two of a family of six children who were born deaf. Both parents could speak and hear.

But what the Giansanti brothers lack in ability to talk and hear, they have been compensated abundantly many ways.



Schools for the Deaf

R. K. Holcomb -

The Minnesota School

Bu Wesley Lauritsen

N 1858 the Minnesota State Legislature at its first session passed an act establishing the Minnesota School for the Deaf, but it was not until 1863 that action was taken to put the school into operation.

The first appropriation of \$1,500 was put into the hands of a Board of Commissioners composed of George F. Batchelder, Rodney E. Mott, and David Frost. They were given authority to carry out the work of starting the school. Upon



The writer of this article. Wesley Lauritsen, has been a teacher in the advanced department of the Minnesota School for the Deaf the past 34 years.

During this time he has also been director of athletics. During the past 15 years he has edited the school pa-

per, THE CHAMPION.

For a number of years Mr. Lauritsen edited the Church Page of THE SILENT WORKER and he has contributed articles from time to time. He has written numerous articles for professional magazines.

He has been active in church work among the deaf and has served nearly all local, state, and national organizations of the deaf in various capaci-

Mr. Mott fell the greater part of this pioneer work and well did he acquit himself. He first went to Ohio and there met Roswell E. Kenney, who had for several years been a teacher at the Ohio School for the Deaf. He was prevailed upon to come to Minnesota to be superintendent of the new school.

On the second Wednesday of September, 1863, the school was opened with five pupils in attendance. The building occupied was a store and dwelling on Division Street between Central Avenue and First Avenue East.

The present beautiful site of the school on the bluffs of Straight River was acquired in 1865 and a year later the foundation was laid for the first building. The first permanent building was completed in 1868.

Mr. Kinney resigned as superintendent in 1866. The position was filled by the appointment of Jonathan Lovejov Noyes, who brought with him fourteen years of experience as a teacher of the deaf. Under his able direction the school grew and prospered.

Impaired health forced Dr. Noves to resign from the superintendency in 1896 after thirty years of efficient service. His successor was James N. Tate, who came with valuable experience gained as a teacher and later as superintendent of the Missouri School for the Deaf. Dr. Tate's administration of the school extended over a period of twenty-seven years. During this time there was a great deal of important construction



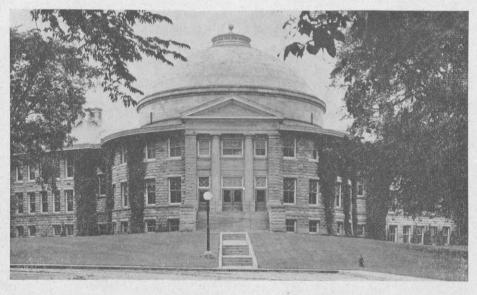
HOWARD M. QUIGLEY

During the past quarter of a century Howard M. Quigley has been engaged in the work of educating the deaf. After being graduated from Gooding College, Good-ing, Idaho, in 1926, Mr. Quigley took the normal training course at Gallaudet College and received his Master of Arts degree. Later he earned a Bachelor of Science degree at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Master of Arts degree at Columbia University. Mr. Quigley has taught in the Kendall School for the Deaf and the Iowa School for the Deaf. He served as principal of the lowa School for four years and as superintendent of the Kansas School for the Deaf for six years prior to coming to Minnesota. He has now rounded out eleven years at the Minnesota School, where he has compiled an enviable record as administrator, being held in high regard by students, staff members, parents, and alumni. Outside of his school work Mr. Quigley has found time for important public relations work that has been of value to the profession. In Kansas he served as president of the Olathe Rotary Club and as Rotary District Governor of the 123rd District. Since coming to Minnesota he has served as president of the Confer-ence of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf and currently heads the Teacher Training and Certification Committee. On the local and state level he has held many offices, including chairman of the Red Cross Drive and president of the Faribault Music Association.

work carried out, the most important being the erection of the present auditorium and school building and the combined girls' dormitory and administration building.

In the fall of 1923 Dr. Tate was called to his reward. His successor was Elwood A. Stevenson, son of deaf parents, who had taught in the New York School for the Deaf, been superintendent of the Kansas School for the Deaf for three years and principal of the Kentucky School for one year. It is interesting to note that Mr. Stevenson

Noyes Hall, which houses the classrooms and the auditorium at the Minnesota School. All pictures were taken by Edwin T. Johnson.





Tate Hall, Administration Building and Girls' Dormitory



Boys at the Minnesota School learn all phases of printing.

had taken the normal course at Gallaudet College as part of his training to teach the deaf. He was the first superintendent here to have had this training. All who have held the superintendent's position since have been Gallaudettrained men. During his tenure the Service Building and Mott Memorial Hall, the boys' vocational building, were erected.

In 1928 Mr. Stevenson resigned to accept a similar position at the California School for the Deaf in Berkeley. His successor was Victor O. Skyberg, a professor at Gallaudet College.

Through the efforts of Mr. Skyberg our fine gymnasium was erected. He saw greener pastures in New York and resigned in 1932 to accept the superintendency of the New York School for the Deaf.

Leonard M. Elstad took over the management of the school in 1932. Like Mr. Skyberg, he was a graduate of St. Olaf College and of the Normal Department of Gallaudet College. Mr. Elstad had been a member of the faculty of Gallaudet College and head of the Wright Oral School in New York. During his administration Pollard Hall, the primary building, was erected; the Scout cabin and garages were built, and many other improvements were made. In the summer of 1945 Mr. Elstad resigned to accept the presidency of Gallaudet College in Washington, D. C.

For the fourth time the Minnesota State administration chose a graduate of the Normal Department of Gallaudet College to head the Minnesota School for the Deaf. Howard M. Quigley, superintendent of the Kansas School for the Deaf, was the man chosen. He came with a wealth of experience in the field of educating the deaf. During the eleven years that he has headed the school, the work in all departments has progressed favorably. The girls' vocational classes have been moved into new quarters in the basement of Noyes Hall from previously scattered locations. A new art room has been provided and improvements have been made in all of the campus buildings.

The School Today

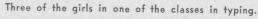
There are ten major buildings on the beautiful 116-acre campus of the Minnesota School for the Deaf. The school stands between St. Mary's Hall and Shattuck School, two nationally-famous preparatory schools. The school is supported by the state and under the Department of Public Welfare. The value of the grounds and buildings is about \$1,000,000. The grounds and buildings are well-kept and compare favorably with many college campuses. This provides an ideal atmosphere for educating the state's deaf and hard of hearing youth.

Happy Students

Each fall sees a score or more youngsters enter the school. Many of them do not know their names or that they have a name. Under the direction of competent teachers and understanding house parents, the children invariably make good progress and come to understand that all possible is being done to help them. In this setting they are naturally happy. The primary children live in a separate dormitory with their housemothers. The small boys have nice rooms on the first floor while the little girls have the second floor to themselves. This dormitory has its own playrooms, television room, kitchen, and dining room. It has also a well-equipped playground. The mother of one of the boys, after visiting the school many times, wrote us that her boy got better care at the dormitory than she could give him at home.

After a few years in the primary dormitory the boys are "graduated" and move to Barron Hall, the dormitory for older boys. This is a rather old building, but in excellent repair and with many conveniences that help make life interesting and worthwhile. The smaller boys in this big dormitory that houses 100 boys live on the east side of the building. They have a housemother and several housefathers also help to look after them. There is a big playroom for them and here they roller skate, toss the bas-

Tailoring has been taught in Minnesota for many years.

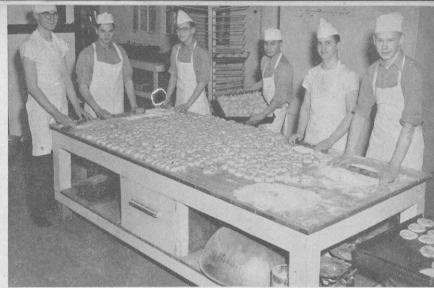












Baking classes at the Minnesota School.

ketball into regulation hoops, and generally have a good time. There is also a recreation room and a television room. The older boys live on the west side of the building. There is a large study hall where supervised study is held on school nights. In a big recreation room there are a billiard table, a pool table, a ping pong table, and a pop vending machine. The boys look after this equipment themselves with a little faculty supervision. There is a television and magazine room that is popular. A popular place in the building is the snack bar on the second floor that is run by the upper class boys for the benefit of the Athletic Associa-

When the little girls are "graduated" from the primary dormitory they move to Tate Hall, the dormitory for older girls. This is a modern, fireproof building of which they are very proud. Many of the rooms have new furniture and the girls take pride in keeping their rooms attractive. When it is time to have the rooms redecorated, the girls may help in choosing appropriate colors. The building has playrooms, television rooms, study hall, snack bar, and other conveniences for the girls.

Round the Clock Schedule

Life at the school is never dull. Life is in every sense of the word a full life. The round-the-clock schedule is carefully planned by the principal, who consults freely with the superintendent and other members of the school staff. The school program has plenty of variety and assures the deaf youth a well-rounded

At six o'clock in the morning the pupils are called. This may seem a bit early, but we remember the old saying: "Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise." At seven the children sit down to a hearty breakfast prepared by competent cooks under the direction of a dietitian. After breakfast a squad of girls helps put the dining room in order for the noon meal. Other girls make the beds and put their rooms in order. All of the boys help with dormitory chores.

At eight o'clock in the morning the student body and staff members assemble in the auditorium for the traditional assembly or chapel lecture, as it has been called. The superintendent, the principal, and the gentlemen teachers take charge in turn. The assembly is opened with all reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Then a ten-minute lecture or talk is given on a moral or current topic. The close attention paid is a point observed by the visitor. The students thoroughly enjoy these lectures and many graduates state that the lectures have had a favorable and lasting effect on them through life. This morning assembly seems to create an espirit de

corps that is of value to the smooth functioning of the school.

The school day then commences. It is divided into nine periods of forty minutes each. Most students have six periods of academic work and three periods of vocational work. There is a slight variation of the schedule for the very young students.

Methods of Instruction

Special techniques are employed to teach speech, speech reading, language and other academic subjects. All children are given ample opportunity to learn speech and speech reading. After children have completed the first seven years of school they are given the opportunity to receive instruction through the combined system — a combination of finger spelling, writing, and the oral method. In a few cases some of the children are given this opportunity in the Intermedate Department. The point is that the school uses the humanitarian method, fitting the method of instruction to the child rather than trying to fit the child to the method.

Group hearing aid equipment is provided in a number of classrooms. Most of the students who have usable hearing wear individual aids.

Course of Study

The academic course of study covers

Minnesota Juniors and Seniors are given driver training.







about the same ground as the courses offered in the public schools of the state. The average student requires thirteen years to complete the requirements for graduation. The first few years are devoted almost entirely to the teaching of speech, speech-reading, and language. As the understanding and use of language become well established, more and more attention is devoted to the usual academic subjects.

Vocational Training

So that students may take their place in their home communities as self- supporting citizens upon leaving school, vocational training is begun early at the Minnesota School for the Deaf. From one to three hours a day are spent in the vocational classes under competent instructors. While the training is incomplete, the basic knowledge gained goes far toward the preparation for a life work and many of the students are able to step into well-paying positions on graduation.

The girls learn to prepare meals and often invite school mates and staff members to dinner. The girls also learn to sew and make many of their own dresses. Art is taught to all pupils and those showing talent may have advanced lessons. The girls also take beauty culture, typing. laundering, and driver's training. All girls take physical education unless excused by the school physcian. They play volleyball, basketball, softball, soccer, and many other games.

The younger boys are taught beginning woodwork in a well-equipped shop for a year or two, after which they spend some time in different shops on an exploratory basis. Then, with the help of their parents and guidance from the school personnel, they choose the shop in which they will major for their remaining school years. Among the trades now taught are baking, cabinet making, upholstery, pressing, tailoring, printing, linotyping, and home mechanics. Driver training is also available to all the older boys.

The boys get a lot of practical training in each of the shops under the direction of competent instructors. The cabinet shop produces a great deal of furniture used at the school. Boys also make furniture to take home, paying for the material. In the tailor shop the boys make suits and learn pressing and repairing. The boys in the bakery make all the bread, rolls, pies, cake, and cookies used to feed the more than 300 who take their meals at the school dining rooms. The boys in the print shop turn out all envelopes, letterheads, and forms used in the various offices and departments of the school. They also print The Companion, the school monthly magazine that goes to all parents and

THE COVER

The picture on the cover this month shows Juniors and Seniors at the Minnesota School for the Deaf as they model dresses they made in the Domestic Arts department.

alumni who are now living in all parts of the country.

Athletics

The older boys enjoy athletics just as boys in any high school do. The school is a member of the Minnesota State High School League and MSD teams compete with other high schools in football, basketball, and track A traditional football game is played with another school for the deaf at the annual homecoming in the fall. Our 1955 team played the Kansas School for the Deaf team here. A large crowd of alumni came from all parts of the state and from nearby states to witness the game and take part in the homecoming party and other activities. Our 1955 team went to Delavan, Wisconsin, for the annual out-ofstate game. After the game the team was taken to Chicago for a two-day educational trip.

Extra-Curricular Activities

Besides athletics there are a number of other extra-curricular activities that help to give our students a well-rounded education. We have Brownies, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, literary societies, a photography club, a dramatic club, athletic association, a girl's athletic association, and a monitor's association. Student officers get valuable experience in these groups. The treasurer of the boys' athletic association handles up to \$4,000 a year under faculty supervision. Books are kept neatly and everything is done in a business-like way. During the year there are many parties and students asked to help direct them. A number of banquets help to teach etiquett in that branch of social life. Civic responsibilities are taught. We have a Junior Red Cross group, students donate to CARE at Thanksgiving time each year, and the March of Dimes is also remembered. The students old enough to do so, donate blood to the Red Cross every time the Blood-mobile comes to town.

Graduation

The last Friday of Mav is usually graduation day at the school. The Senior Class members wear caps and gowns, inst as at any high school graduation. The valedictorian and salutatorian give their addresses, thanking the school and the state for the education they have received. When given their diplomas, the seniors are truly prepared to take their place as citizens, an asset to the state. Some graduates step into good paving positions. Others continue their education at Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C., the only college for the deaf in

the world. The Minnesota School for the Deaf has sent 140 students to the college, about one twentieth of all who have been admitted to Gallaudet. This is evidence that Minnesota has done a good job in preparing its students to pass the highly competitive entrance examinations. Twelve of our graduates are at Gallaudet College today.

Successful Graduates

Graduates of the school are succeeding in practically all walks of life. They are employed as printers, linotype operators, cabinet makers, bakers, shoe repairmen, farmers, nursery men, welders, business men and teachers.

That the State of Minnesota has a good investment in the Minnesota School for the Deaf is at once apparent when you learn that almost 100 per cent of its graduates are self supporting. The school is proud of the fact that not one of its graduates has been convicted of

crime and sent to prison.

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MANUALLY SPEAKING . . . By Max N. Mossel

Fourth in a Series

"How do you sign fix?"

This question was put to us pointedly by a practically new student who enrolled here from a public school two years ago.

We show him the sign for it.

"Hah! That's a sign for make! How can I tell which is which? What about repair? Don't tell me the sign is the same as others!"

Sadly, truly very sadly we nodded. Then we saw what we thought was a way out.

"Why don't you sign *make* but just spell out *fix* — a short word at that — see?" we suggested triumphantly.

"I do, but they all sign to me. For example, when a fellow said he would *make* (the) watch, I was amazed until I found out *fix* was the word after all."

At this junction we realized the troublesome word that threw him off balance was watchmaker.

Almost frustrated, we explained at length how to distinguish make from its synonyms through the context or the subject matter. We are old hands at things like those versatile signs, but pity the small frys! They haven't fully learned to associate prerequisite words and phrases with make, fix or repair. How can we blame them for not reading enough when it is we, the adults, who failed to hasten their verbal maturity through precise manual communication?

With those words in form of initialized signs. a child should eventually get to see that for anything new or in a different form, *make* is as usual the word; for anything delicate or intricate or out of kilter, *fix* is usually the word; and for anything broken or worn out, *repair* the obvious word.

Make, a very old basic, is a two-phase sign which is also used for fix, repair, and even manufacture (a compound sign literally meaning "machine made"). The way the sign is made seems to suggest that something is being formed or wrought. In the following, we will take up make first, and then show how its synonyms can be initialized.

MAKE—Form S hands, using the left fist as an object to be hammered upon, and the right fist as a hammerhead. Now strike such that the knuckles of both fists are brought in a vertical line (Fig. 1a). Then raise the fist and twist its position slightly so that in striking again, the knuckles shall be in line with the main finger joints of the lower fist (Fig. 1b).

FIX — Hold F hands, one over the other — fingers pointing to 10 and 2 o'clock; then strike (Fig. 2a). Lift the striking hand, veering the fingers of both hands toward 11 and 1 o'clock — and strike again (Fig. 2b).

REPAIR — Use R hands with the same manner of delivery as for fix. Have the crossed fingers point to 10 and 2 o'clock in the first phase (Fig. 3a), and to 11 and 1 o'clock in the second phase (Fig. 3b).

MANUFACTURE — Since the word if often abbreviated "mfg.", we can use the first two letters of the abbreviation — as suggested by G. C. Farquhar of the Missouri School. In the first phase, strike M hands together (Fig. 4a). On lifting, change to F hands with the fingers to 11 and 1 o'clock — and strike again (Fig. 4b).

It must be remembered that fix as an English word has many special meaning such as to fix time or date (to select), to fix lunch (to prepare), to fix eyes upon (to look hard it), etc. Many persons not familiar with the deaf are likely to use the above illustrated sign in any and every sense as far as fix is concerned, while the majority follow the practice of giving a graphic description; i. e., "pick the date," "cook dinner," and "look hard at." etc. There is doubt about deaf children losing out on idioms in the latter method. We believe it is up to the sign-maker to decide whether to sign fix as a word appearing in his mind or to sign it differently to give a clear-cut. graphic meaning. From our viewpoint, language is all that matters.



Fig. I-a

MAKE

Fig. 1-b



Fig. 2-a

FIX

Fig. 2-b



Fig. 3-a

REPAIR

Fig. 3-b

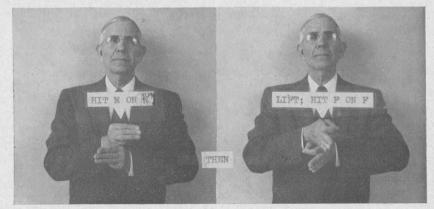


Fig. 4-a

MANUFACTURE

Fig. 4-b

Churches IN THE DEAF WORLD

Rev. Steve L. Mathis, III, Editor

Episcopal Conference To Meet In Alabama

The Rev. Robert C. Fletcher, L.H.D., President of the Conference of Church Workers Among the Deaf of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U.S.A., has announced that a meeting of the Conference will be held at Camp Mc-

Dowell, Nauvo, Alabama, August 5 - 11.





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to both clergy and laymen.

The program will commence on Sunday, August 5th, with a service of Holy Communion in St. John's Church for the Deaf, Birmingham, 11 A.M. The sermon will be delivered in the language of signs by the Right Rev. George. M. Murray, D.D., Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of Alabama.

Following luncheon in the church parish house, delegates to the meeting will be transported to Camp McDowell. The week long program includes a daily celebration of the Holy Communion by the deaf clergy, morning classes and discussion periods on religious subjects, afternoon games, swimming, and hikes, and evening recreation.

The meeting will end on Sunday, August 12, at which time the deaf from all over Alabama will join delegates to the Conference for a picnic at the Camp.

How To Get Rid Of Pastors

Methodist Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy of Los Angeles has a formula he is going to deliver to the next committee that calls on him seeking to get rid of a minister for "inefficiency." His prescription:

Look him straight in the eye when he is preaching, and say Amen once in awhile. He'll preach himself to death within a few weeks.

Pat him on the back and brag on his good points. He'll work himself to death.

Start paying him a living wage. He's probably been on starvation wages so long he'll eat himself to death.

Rededicate your own life to Christ and ask the preacher to give you a job to do. He'll probably die of heart failure.

Get the church to unite in prayer for the preacher. He'll become so effective some larger church will take him off your hands. A History Of Religious Work Among The Deaf

The Methodist Church

The history of religious service rendered the deaf by the Methodist Church had its beginning in the work of two laymen, Miss Laura C. Sheridan and Dr. Philip G. Gillet, teacher and Superintendent respectively in the Illinois School for the Deaf. The daughter of an early Methodist circuit rider, Miss Sheridan kindled interest of the church in this special work by the various religious activities which she organized in the State Schools of Indiana and Illinois. It was through her sponsorship and influence that two pupils and one woman deaconess later became active ministers in the Methodist tradition.

The beloved Superintendent of the Illinois School, Dr. Philip G. Gillet, had a genuine interest in the church of his fathers, and is regarded as the pioneer of Methodist work among the deaf in the United States. Upon being invited to address the Chicago Ministerial Association in 1890, he chose as his subject, "Religious Work on behalf of the Deaf and Dumb." The talk was a stirring appeal for a religious ministry, in which he emphasized the need of some five hundred deaf persons residing in Chicago for a church where services could be conducted to meet their circumstances. The address had the effect of giving the

Chicago Mission its formal start in 1893. Actually, religious services had been

held earlier at the First Methodist Church by a layreader through arrangements made by Doctor Gillet with the City Missionary Society. At the Quarterly Methodist Conference held at Jacksonville in 1889, Philip J. Hasenstab a former teacher in the Illinois School, was licensed to preach. Following a tenyear period of private study, Mr. Hasenstab fulfilled the standards of the Methodist ministry and was ordained. In his 48-year ministry in Chicago, he was both a striking personality and a capable administrator editing — The Silent Herald, establishing scholarships for Chinese students from the Chefoo School to attend Gallaudet College, and making his personal ministrations known far and wide. His daughter, Mrs. Constance Hasenstab Elms, began assisting her father in 1922, and eventually succeeded him in the Chicago Mission.

The Methodist ministry witnessed an expansion throughout the midwestern states with the ordination of the Rev. Henry S. Rutherford. A graduate of the Illinois School, Mr. Rutherford was encouraged by Dr. Hasenstab to begin studies for the ministry, after which he served as an effective pastor in missions scattered throughout Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri. His ministry extended over forty years.

The interest of the Methodist Church in work among the deaf which had been fostered by Dr. Hasenstab and Mr. Rutherford led to the formation of a Mission at Cincinnati in 1910. Miss Mary V. Cameron was appointed by the Methodist Union as deaconess and superintendent of the local mission, with the assistance of monthly visits by Dr. Hasenstab. When the pressure of work necessitated the latter's withdrawal from the area, the Rev. Utten E. Read, an ordained



Rev. and Mrs. Paul Carlstrom, pastors of Assemblies of God Deaf Fellowship groups in Tacoma, Olympia, and Seattle, Washington, report an outstanding joint Easter meeting on April I, when the groups met in Tacoma for a devotional worship service and potluck dinner. Attendance reached an all-time high of 115. In this picture, Rev. and Mrs. Carlstrom are standing at the back. In the front row are children of the deaf.

minister of the Presbyterian Church, left that communion to enter the ranks of the Methodist Church. Having taught in the Indiana School for nineteen years, Mr. Read was well equipped to meet the needs of the deaf. Following his retirement from the Cincinnati Mission in 1928 to return to te field of teaching, he was succeeded by the Rev. H. J. Staubitz. During Mr. Staubitz's pastorate, a church and parsonage were acquired by the congregation. In tribute to Deaconess Cameron upon her death in 1933, the church was given the name of Cameron Methodist Church. It is estimated that approximately 36 per cent of the deaf populace of Cincinnati are members of the Methodist Church.

The philosophy, "Florida is my parish, regardless of denominations," crystalizes the missionary spirit of the Rev. Frank Philpott (1875 - 1948). A graduate of the Ohio School, he became a printer in the community of St. Cloud, Florida, during his early years. In 1914, he was persuaded by the pastor of the local Methodist Church to organize a Bible Class for the deaf. The success of his work turned his thoughts to the ministry, and he was ordained deacon in 1928, and a full-fledged minister of the Methodist Church in 1931. Mr. Philpott's circuit inclded every principal city of Florida - from Jacksonville to Homestead, and Fort Meyers to Tallahassee. Greatly loved and revered by all who came under the shadow of his influence. he urged that someone seek ordination and assume the work upon his retirement. Apparently no one came forward, and upon his passing the Methodist ministry in Florida was largely discontinued.

The establishment of the first Mission in Chicago attracted the attention of the Methodist Church in the East and in 1896, Christ Methodist Church for the Deaf was organized in Baltimore under the leadership of the Rev. Daniel E. Moylan. A building was later erected for the congregation, and the Rev. Mr. Moylan remained pastor until his death in 1943. He was succeeded by the Rev. J. Lee Williams, who had been his assistant; later, Mr. Louis Foxwell assumed the pastorate. The original edifice was recently sold, and the present congregation has plans under way to erect a new one.

Further efforts of the Methodist Church in the South saw the formation of a Sunday School class at St. Mark's Church, Atlanta, Georgia, in 1902. The class was organized by Mr. W. F. Cruselle editor of *The Constitution Tri-Weekly*, whose interest in the spiritual welfare of several deaf persons whom he had hired to work for him led to his arousing the interest of the Methodist Church to provide spiritual ministrations for them. He was assisted for over

33 years by Mr. Frederick J. Cooledge, Jr. Upon meeting Mr. S. M. Freeman, a teacher at the Georgia School and a well known figure among the deaf throughout the South, Mr. Cruselle urged him to become a minister to the deaf. Mr. Freeman was ordained in 1916 and appointed by the North Georgia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to minister to the deaf of Georgia. From the date of his ordination until his death in 1940, Mr. Freeman exercised a most successful ministry in Georgia. The class is now known as Crusselle-Freeman Mission; and what began with five members today witnesses a membership in excess of 200 people. Mr. Freeman's daughter, Mrs. Simmons, has been a leader in the class since her father's death. While remaining in a chapel at St. Mark's Church, the class is largely of an undenominational character, and welcomes ministers of all faiths to deliver lectures and sermons.

It is interesting to note that the Methodist ministry has engaged the services of both men and women, and that deafness has not proven a barrier to their ordination. It appears that they entered the ministry late in life, with their genuine sincerity attested in the fact that, even at this late stage, they were willing to undergo years of private study in order to be ordained. Their common background was generally that of teaching in schools for the deaf. Here the ground was prepared for a thorough understanding of the needs of the deaf. where their interest in the spiritual welfare of the pupils was of far reaching significance.

While the work of the Methodist Church may be said to be fairly extensive, it chose not to diffuse its energies thinly, but rather consolidated itself to specific areas. In all its endeavors, it has been a strong impetus in the lives of those whose ministry it has reached. The saintly characters of its devoted and consecrated ministers stand out as a beacon of hope to the deaf everywhere who would follow in the steps of the Master. Nor should we neglect to recall that a Methodist missionary, the Rev. Harry J. Haines, established a school for the deaf in Chungking, China, which has received continuous support from the Mission in Chicago.

Within the tradition of the Methodist faith, the ministry among the deaf today continues to join others in the experience of prayer and spiritual fellowship, to become a living part of the Christian family, and to be available at all times to "watch over one another in love."

It will help immensely if ministers and others active in church activities will send news of their events and pictures to the Church Editor. His address is: Rev. Steve L. Mathis, 4630 Manordene Road, Apt. E. Baltimore 29, Md.

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The Educational Front and Parents' Department By W. T. Griffing, Editor

mail letter from none other than the editor of this magazine, Dr. bbb, to remind us that we were still in a deep deadline rut. The patience of that man amazes us. Any other guy would just



W. T. GRIFFING

pick us up by the tail, swing us high and hard, then let go all of a sudden.

We are properly chastened, so here we are with this typewriter trying to recall which of the three R's you are most interested in.

This is supposed to be the beginning of our vacation, but is it???? You have no idea how many jobs the wife has on her list for us to attend to! Already, with just a few days behind us plus several backbreaking jobs around the place, we are actually beginning to miss the classroom and all of those little angels who kept us in a constant state of frustration nine solid months.

Well, as we started to say, bbb wanted to know what the sam hill we had in mind by making him write to inquire about our copy. We can simply say we missed the deadline. Oh, yes, there is another deadline we hope to miss: with the undertaker.

Big Doings in Fulton!

A 21-gun salute to Dr. Edmund B. Boatner, that affable and energetic superintendent of the American School for the Deaf, West Hartford, Connecticut. Dr. Boatner has for many years been working on a pet project: captioned films.

As bbb told you, an effort is being made to have the Library of Congress install and make available to the deaf and the hard of hearing a collection of captioned films. Senator William A. Purtell of Connecticut has introduced a bill in the Senate calling for an appropriation of \$250,000 to provide the films with captions.

This bill has likewise been introduced in the House by Representative Albert P. Morano. This project will be similar to "talking books" for the blind, authorized by Congress several years ago. The films might be called "talking films" for the deaf.

Now, as a deaf person you should be interested in this project to the extent that you - right now!! - sit down to write your congressmen, asking that they support Senate bill 3558.

We have paid in our \$12. Have you? Foreign films are fine for the deaf be-

cause they have English sub-titles and. as a result, the plot is easier to follow

This very morning we had a nice air than American pictures which usually make even a skilled lipreader want to cut his throat. These foreign films do not often come to our small town, but when they do, we plunk down our money pdq.

Subscribed to the Worker yet?

bbb is going to be a right busy man this summer as he attempts to take in quite a few of the state conventions on tap. We know that some folks look on this as a form of entertainment for the president of the NAD; but in our books it is darned hard work.

Instead of criticizing bbb for traveling to various sections of the country, we should be mighty thankful we have a man at the head of our organization who is willing to work his head off for us. Too many of us think we are doing a dav's work by just sitting back on our fat fannies wondering why the world isn't beating a track to our door.

We suggest that the next time you run across bbb, you give him a genuine pat on the back in appreciation of all the work he has done for a lot of darned-if-I-do-it-myself!

Told that friend to stop borrowing?

We have been told that at the recent meeting of executives of schools for the deaf at Jackson, Mississippi, the Conference of Executives took some action to try to place into effect our suggestion of awarding service pins to teachers of the deaf with long records of achieve-

We are delighted to hear this. This matter has been close to our mind and heart for many years. We sincerely hope that at Knoxville in the summer of 1957 something more concrete will come from this initial impetus at Jackson.

Our sincere thanks go to all the friends who helped with this. We realize it is a small thing, especially when so many other matters came up for attention, yet the fact these leaders did take some action more than backs up the contention we have held for long years that for the most part the superintendents and principals are all good Joes.

St. Louis ain't playing the "blues,"

As we write this the TV has given out a tornado warning, our town being alerted for possible twisters up to one o'clock in the morning. If you do not hear from us again, you'll know the deadline we mentioned was really kept.

What we want to say is that those tornado warnings used to come orally. with a neighbor running over to tell us. We wrote the stations to tell them that the hundreds of deaf TV owners would verv much appreciate a typed statement of the alert. We are happy that two of

the leading stations have done so, with a third promising to take the matter up with its advisory staff.

Shall we call this captioned TV weather warnings?

Plan your 1957 vacation for St. Louis

One thing we know we will never find staring at us some morning on the sport page of the daily newspapers: Gallaudet suspended for paying subsidies to ath-

Working for the NAD?
We find ourself watching the Dave Garroway program hoping to spot the deaf man he was talking about one time. So far, we have seen neither hide nor hair of him. We will keep on trying. Another thing: we watch the audiences more than we do the main action all because we are hoping that we will see some folks talking in our beloved sign language. We watch the grandstands, the fight and wrestling crowds, and those special shows which play to an audience. So far our luck has been nil. Don't some of you ever go to those events? If you do, sign, folks, sign.

The NAD is all yours

As we come to the end of our column, we want to say au revoir to Frederick H. Hughes of Gallaudet who went on to a greater field of teaching the evening of May 6.

Ted, as we knew him, was a good guy. He was something all of the deaf could be proud of. We are glad that, before he went, he knew how much the college students thought of him. It was such a nice way to go, and we know Ted liked it that way.

Money makes the old mare trot, also the NAD!

Well, friends, if we may call you that, this has been such a delightful evening. It is hardly ten o'clock. The tornado alert has three hours to go before the all-clear signal will be given. We entertain no ambition to sit up that long. We are going to bed pretty soon and we bet we snore fit to kill.

Before we cry quits, we want to say that it may be possible we can talk bbb into giving us a release as editor. You deserve some one a darned sight better, with wisdom that drips with every key tap on the machine. The three R's, too, deserve a better fate. But, as we said, bbb's patience amazes us!

Have a nice summer. The no-peace suits will be hard on our 20/20 vision. For 53 years we have been trying hard to get a full view of a pretty girl from out of the corner of our eve. but outside of a cinder or two and a bad case of squint eyes, we have had no luck. What do the rest of you men folks do about such a trying situation?

We are not forgetting the ladies bless 'em. If it were not for them, we wouldn't even want to type this far!

-W.T.G.

I Hand You Humor

By Edna H. Baynes

Let Austerity desert you
For a while;
Let your virtue cease to hurt you
When you smile.

In the ever-sad-and-solemn Something cracks, So the stiffest spinal column Must relax.

Since amid our strife and bluster, Tender mirth Makes men kindlier and juster Here on earth,

Who shall question that hereafter
Up above
There'll be humor, which is laughter
Mixed with love!

-A. Ouiterman

Another school year comes to a close. Teachers everywhere look back and evaluate, look forward and plan.

I have taught deaf children for twenty years and to me it has always been a great deal of fun as well as richly rewarding.

Every year in the fall as I settle down to work with a group of children, I become concerned with their progress in learning, their health, their manners, their personalities, and their popularity. When the time comes to surrender them to another teacher, I experience a feeling of regret.

We all know that language is all too often a stumbling block to most deaf children and that his efforts to use it sometimes take on a humorous twist. I'll share some such humorous examples

with you.

From examination papers:

Remember the Sabbath day to *sleep* it holy.

Thou shalt not cover.

Jesus made clay eyes for the blind man.

We should sleep with our bed open. (The word should have been window). The oceans; The Pacific Ocean, The Atlantic Ocean and the Moist ocean.

How do we take care of our teeth? By going to the dentist twice a year, brushing them and eating the right foot.

Manners: When we walk in front of anyone, we say, "I can't help it." (This was supposed to be excuse me.)

(Filling in blanks) — Frank cannot light the gas because he will explode.

Frank cannot light the gas because it will boom.

Health and Safety: What must we always give baby? The answer was supposed to be safe toys, but one of my boys will evidently make a good father some day because his answer was milk,

orange juice, and water.

We asked for the opposite of empty and got gas.

Then there's conversational language and its jaw droppers: I asked one of my girls why she never parted her hair on the side and she explained that it was because she had been born with her hair parted in the middle.

One day I stood at my schoolroom window gazing out at the beauty of the springtime. Turning to one of my boys, I asked, "Aren't the new green leaves just beautiful?" He nodded his head emphatically in agreement and added, "1956 Model."

One of the boys was in the dog house for stepping on and crushing a newly set out flowering plant. He explained that *his shoe* had mashed the flower.

The dentist tried to persuade one of my older boys to stop smoking. Soon he reported to me that he had stopped

cameling.

One of my neighbor teachers counted noses in her classroom one morning and asked, "Where is James?" One of the girls went to the board and wrote, "James is in Birmingham. His eyes are in the hospital." This teacher was heard mumbling to no one in particular, "I wish I knew where Ollie's brain is."

There are always some inquiring minds in my class as evinced by these questions; "How old was Jesus when

He graduated?"

"What is the last name of Jesus, Mary

and Joseph?"

"Why is it all right for a woman to eat with her hat on but wrong for a man to eat with his on?"

This past year I have taught a class of ten boys who were more fun than a cageful of monkeys. They know quite

a bit about feminine foibles.

For instance, one of these boys told me how his new sister-in-law rubbed mud (beauty clay) all over her face and looked terrible with it on. Then she washed it off and became beautiful. She pulled out all the hairs of her eyebrows only to draw on new ones with an eyebrow pencil. This boy ventured the opinion that her real eyebrows looked better than the penciled ones. His verdict was that women are funny. (I'm inclined to go along with him on that.)

After reading the story of Cinderella, a boy gave it back to me thusly: "Cinderella made beds, swept the floors, sewed dresses for her two step-sisters, and rolled up their hair." (For a boy he seems to have the routine down pat.)

I had one boy with very poor eyesight. His glasses were with the oculist for repairs more often than on his nose. When he was without glasses, his answer to everything was, "I can't because I have no glasses"

On one of these glassless occasions I requested at the table that he ask the blessing and got the usual, "I can't because I have no glasses."

After a Weekly Reader test, I berated a boy for making a poor score when I knew he could have done better. Soon as I paused for breath one of the other boys, who had made a slightly better showing, advised him to draw a line under the word he didn't understand. By doing it that way he, himself had made a higher score.

One day my class was lined up at the cafeteria when someone toward the end began to push. One of my boys stepped out of line and commanded the children behind him to back up.

Then there's that good old News on the board to furnish some choice bits.

Here are a few.

We had drill pickles for dinner.

At the party we played spin the bottle. *The victim of the bottle* had to do something as a punishment.

Now, you take letters. Not just any kind. I'm talking about the kind that

come in the mail.

We know just how important they are when they do come, as well as when they don't come. Letters are enthusiastically shared with everyone in school from the Principal on down.

During World War II one of my boys received A LETTER from his brother in the Navy. He had left it with his supervisor to read, but couldn't wait to tell me the contents. Said he, "My brother in the Navy has already seen the new U.S.A. Now he wants to see the old U.S.A." Next day it was my turn to read THE LETTER and the brother had written, "I can hardly wait to see the good old U.S.A. again."

One youngster I taught was prone to forget things fast. One bright sunny letter day he even forgot his Mother's first name. So he brought me his envelope addressed to: Mrs. Mama John-

Another letter-writing day in my classroom, my boys had chewed pencils all morning, declaring every few minutes that they had no news. Recess came before we knew it.

During recess someone got A LETTER from home and brought it in for me to read while I was busily correcting and trying to get the children's letters off on time.

The minute I finished correcting one letter, another would be placed on my lap board for correction. Of course THE LETTER from home found it's way to my lap board and without pausing for breath I proceeded to correct it.

Only when I looked up and caught the stunned expression on the child's face did I realize that I was correcting his mother's letter. The floor declined to open up and swallow me!

Restful resting to you during vacation. Be sure to pack up your sense of humor to take with you when school opens in the fall. You'll need it.



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COLORADO ...

Newcomers to Denver are Miss Ann Fraley Joseph Bennett and family from Salt Lake City, Utah. from the state of Virginia, and Mr. and Mrs.

The Robert Bundys are the proud owners of a '56 2-door Red Fairlane Ford. Mrs. Bundy has left her job at the Farmers Union Insurance Co. to devote more time to her home and family. Bob works for the Catholic Register,

a weekly newspaper.

Mary Cuscaden Elstad and son Johnny left

Mary Cuscaden Elstad and son Johnny left by train May 8th for two weeks in Omaha with her parents, the T. Scott Cuscadens, and her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Propp.
May 4th was the last meeting for the All Souls Guild until September. The occasion was a hot supper served by Eva Fraser, Helga Fraser, Carol Sponable, Toni Duran, and other ladies: followed by a business meeting.
On May 5th the Frats had a dramatic play on the stage of the Silent Athletic Club. Participants were Ted Tucker, Wayne Bell, Joe Ranney, Ernest Runco, Clarence Kamminga, Richard Cecil, Eva Fraser, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Tuskey and master of ceremonies was Charles Billings. A hot supper served by the Aux-frats preceded the play. preceded the play.

Erlene Graybill, of Overland Park, Kansas, stopped in Denver May 5th to spend the day with the Herbert Votaws before returning home. Erlene had been in Seattle, Wash., visiting the Calvin Niningers, and had also visited friends and relatives in California and

Rev. A. E. Ferber, of Kansas City, Mo., was guest speaker at the Bethel Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Denver on May 20th, and also went to Colorado Springs and to the School for the Deaf in the Springs. Rev. Clark Bailey was on vacation in California at that time.

Bingo, one of our favorites, made a come-back at the Silent Athletic Club on April 12th. Fred Schmidt, Don Warnick, Wayne Bell, Fred Fedrid, Rea Hinrichs and Dick Anderson were on the committee and provided a lot of good

Mrs. Frieda Meagher of Chicago stopped over in Denver to visit Mrs. Emma Seeley the first week-end in May. Mrs. Seeley had open house at her home for Mrs. Meagher on Sunday, May 6th, and a number of deaf came to pay their respects. Mrs. Meagher was on her way to California and Washington State.

PENNSYLVANIA . . .

Spring housecleaning time proved unfortu-nate for Mrs. Arthur Kier of Philadelphia. Carrying an armful of clothing, Mrs. Kier lost her balance and fell down a flight of stairs fracturing her right arm. Wearing a cast for six weeks, she was not too inconvenienced.

since she is left-handed. Mrs. Kier teaches

dressmaking at the Mt. Airy School.

Milford Luden of Reading recently travelled un to Washington, D. C., via train to visit friends and relatives and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Goldberg of Reading visited Mrs. Florence Gromis in Wilmington, being much pleased to find Mrs. Gromis rapidly recovering from a recent major operation. Mr. Sidney Goldberg, brother of Clarence, and a resident of New York is also recuperating from dent of New York, is also recuperating from a recent ordeal on the operating table.

En route home from a visit to the Reading

Club of the Deaf not long ago, Raymond R. Neider of Reading was assaulted and robbed by a thief. Further details are lacking al-though we hope the police were able to help

Raymond.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Conroy, nee Stella Taylor, of Atlantic City, left for Seattle, Wash.. where they will make their home with a daughter. We are sorry to lose them and wish them ter. We are sall happiness.

Arthur Kier is driving a brand new Ford. having given his old car to his youngest daughter, who recently graduated from Strandsburg College.

Mr. Howard Ferguson of Philadelphia was the guest of the Pennsylvania Ass'n of the Deaf Club in Pittsburgh not long ago, at which time he was presented with a beautiful watch bearing the inscription: In admiration for your service to the deaf, 1934 to 1955, from the Deaf of Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Paul Albert suffered a painful accident in which her ankle was broken in two places. She is getting around nicely although

places. She is getting around nicely although wearing a heavy cast, and here is hoping she makes it to the Hershey Picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart McCormick of Philadelphia are blissfully happy these days and with good reason. They are the grandparents of a lovely little baby girl born recently to their older daughter, Mrs. John Stauffer.

Busily engaged in the business of raising chinchillas are Henry Senft and Bud Fry, both of New York. Friends wish them all success in the venture.

in the venture.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Boyer are the latest to acquire ownership of a new automobile. They bought a Chevrolet in late April and have been enjoying it ever since.

SOUTH DAKOTA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Roman Berke spent their Easter vacation with their two sons and families in Michigan. They planed as far as Chicago, where a bad rainstorm forced them to take the train to Detroit. They enjoyed the plane trip as it was their first one.

The Norman Larsons, Sr., entertained several friends at a Pinochle card party at their

home April 28th. This party was to help those who did not know how to play Pinochle, so that the deaf can organize a card club to play Pinochle at least once a month. May 29th will be the official opening of the card club.

April 25, some 25 people were self-invited to the B. L. Otten's home to receive instructions on how to play Pinochle and after a few hands of practicing, they learned fast enough to play a few hands without any assistance. Cookies, coffee and soft drinks were passed around and the evening was really enjoyed.

Mr. Stork left a baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Czerney on March 21st and a baby girl for Mr. and Mrs. Jerrold

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Berke on May 1st. Both babies and mothers are doing fine.

Friends have learned the news of a new home in the building for Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Roberts of Council Bluffs, Ia. They hope to move in around June 1st. Congratulations, Ed and Irene.

We here were very sorry to hear of the accident to the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Myklebust of Council Bluffs, Ia. The glass shattered from the garage door windows and pierced his eyeball on April 25th. Latest report is encouraging — he may not lose his vision. Friends pray with hope that he will not lose his sight. It will be known in about three weeks

April 11th Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Krohn decided to take one week's vacation by going to Wisconsin to attend a wedding of the latter's relative and to bring back home several antique pieces of furniture which Mrs. Krohn's aunt wished her to have. They had planned to surprise friends in Madison and Delavan. but had to call off the visits as both Mr. and Mrs. Krohn caught colds.

Mrs. Robert Cordes, wife of the pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church for the Deaf, went to Springfield, Ill., to be with her daughter-in-law while her son went to Kansas on business . . . waiting for the new arrival.

ter-in-law while her son went to Kansas on business... waiting for the new arrival.

The members of the Trinity Lutheran Church had a "clean-up" party on the premises April 20th. After the task, a good pot luck supper was spread out on the table to some 22 people. They looked plenty hungry, but all had great fun that evening.

A letter was received from Mrs. Ellis Surber telling of Ellis' accident. Ellis slipped on the ice at a neighbor's, and hurt himself so that he had difficulty in lying down. So, he had the soot x-rayed, but no broken bones were found. Attention, Friends, please find time to call on them or to drop them cards for they cannot go out any place any more because Mr. Ellis does not like to drive out now that they are getting old. The writer wishes to thank you, the readers, in advance — for doing a favor. Good deeds very often receive God's Blessings.

Word has been received that Mr. and Mrs. Roy K. Holcomb plan to enter summer school at the University of Tennessee on June 11th. They have decided to take "Mental Hygiene, Psychology of Exceptional Children and Observation of Exceptional Children" for the first term and "Audio-Visual Aids" and some clinical work for the second term. After the summer school is over, they plan to spend the remainder of the summer visiting with her folks in Akron, Ohio. Friends here wish you both good luck, Roy and Mabs.

Mrs. Joseph Servold was the latest to be hospitalized, being operated on for hernia. She is doing much better at this time.

Sandra Simpson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loring Simpson (nee Ethel Betpaletz), is to be graduated from Washington High School on May 29th. She has been planning to enter the University at Vermillion next fall.

Miss Frieda Brandt was rather fortunate in not receiving any broken bones when she misstepped, alighting from a bus on her wav home. Just a big bruise on the leg and some bruises on the face.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor have bought a new 42-foot trailer and have already moved in. They would have to learn to adjust to live in a trailer, and so far they like it.

Miss Betty Brown has been very busy making things for her hope-chest. She plans to acquire a new name by next September — the lucky man is Mr. Roy Rose of Boone, Iowa. Hearty Congratulations!

In The South Dakota Churchman appeared a picture of a girl named Barbara McBride, the daughter of Mr, and Mrs. McBride of Herrick, S.D. She was the second girl at St. Mary's School for Indian Girls to be awarded a schol(continued on page 16)

Sifting the Sands . . .

By Roger M. Falberg

"The world is so full of a number of things. . . ." I've forgotten who wrote that line and I've forgotten where I've read it, although it does have an Alicein-Wonderlandish aura about it, doesn't it? But wherever it came from—ain't it the truth?

Y'know, I'd like very much to be able to "talk over" those numerous things with you folks every once in a while . . if you don't mind stringing along. I'd like to tell you about the way I see things . . . and I'd like you to tell me about the way you see them, too!

Let's you and I sit down together every month and do a little thinking . . . a little discussing. So many things in this wide, wide world . . . this world we never made! . . are so different from our point of view as contrasted with that of the hearing writers and columnists we read in our daily newspapers and our magazines. They take so much for granted, don't they? They're entitled to do this, I suppose, just as we deaf are entitled to take our sight for granted. But it does make a difference, doesn't it?

Take, for example, the story in today's issue of your local newspaper, telling about an automobile accident that may have happened last night in your vicinity. You read it, and that's that. But.. let's put YOU, a deaf person, at the scene, after the accident itself. Let's say you weren't a witness — just joined the crowd that gathered around later, as crowds are wont to do. Now, a reporter, or any hearing person happening upon that scene would immediately begin asking questions. And in five minutes he'd have an eyewitness story. But not you. Or I.

You and I.. we'd look. We'd see and observe. We'd take in the smashed-up cars, the corpses . . . all the visual evidence, and then we'd draw our own conclusions. It wouldn't surprise me to learn that our conclusions were sometimes more accurate than what the reporters heard . . but that's not the point at all. What I'm trying to say is: we'd never be absolutely sure of exactly what had happened until we read the papers the next morning.

What happens to us . . . living a little apart from the rest of the world the way we do??? What happens to our outlook on life? Nothing? Or everything? I don't know, but I'd like to find out.

Afterthought . . . Doesn't it seem to you that such an arrangement should teach us self-reliance — to depend upon ourselves rather than others?

This is all pretty vague, isn't it? Cer-

tainly not the hard, down-to-earth, feeton-the-ground sort of thing you readers of The Silent Worker are used to, is it? But it IS the way I feel.

To repeat, "The world is so full of a number of things," . . . and I want to write about them. I want to discuss the deaf person's outlook on things, and people . . . the hearing, deaf, blind, mentally retarded, the halt and the lame, the quick and the dead. In a word, all of them.

Certainly, I'm not the best writer in deafdom, nor the most brilliant. I'm positive that after a couple of months of these columns, a lot of you will come to the conclusion that it is one of the worst things The Silent Worker has ever dared to bring forth, and I won't blame you. But bear with me a little while, and we'll sift the sands of time together as we go along.

Sifting the sands of time?

Well . . . in Henry W. Lonfellow's poem, "A Psalm of Life," there's a stanza that goes:

"Lives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime, And, departing, leave behind us Footprints on the sands of time.."

Now, mind you, I don't intend solely to re-hash the lives of great men, departed, nor to confine myself exclusively to great men now living, although I may touch upon them from time to time. What I would like to do, with your help, is to sift, to separate, the sands of all time—past, present and future — with the deaf man's eye.

But I'm not the only deaf man in the world — and I certainly can't guarantee that all deaf eyes will see all things the same as mine. So drop me a line from time to time, and let's you and I together sift the sands, taking apart oralism, the combined system, the deaf clubs, the schools, our jobs, the NAD — everything we can think of! Let's run these sands of time through the finest sieve we can lay our hand on — and let's be first, last, and always deaf.

I don't intend to compete with the excellent "Answer Box" regularly conducted by Felix Kowalewski, so I probably won't be able to print your letters in full . . . unless you get so many subscribers to The Silent Worker that we can print a hundred pages at a time if we like! But I'll try my best to tell you all about the general opinions in the letters I receive. That isn't much of a promise, I know . . but bear with me a while, and we'll see. Just sift the sands with me as I go along . . and tell me what you think of the way I look at things.

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arship to the Girls' Friendly Society. Her parents are deaf. Mrs. McBride is better known as Birdie Ellston, a cousin of Mrs. Guy Sylliassen. Congratulations.

People from out of state would not recognize any deaf man in Sioux Falls these days for almost everyone is sporting a mustache or a beard or both — to join the others in celebrating the 100th anniversary. Most of the ladies have bought or made cute bonnets. Date of the celebration was from the 15th to the 23rd in June.

KANSAS . . .

Howdy, dear readers, how do you like the unofficial summer weather? I guess we will have a long summer season this year.

Robert Jantz of Wichita went to Ft. Worth. Texas, to visit his girl friend for a few days early in March. He has since then not returned to Wichita. We are wondering what has become of him. Do you know?

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Basham, newest wedded couple of Wichita, are now making their home in a nice three-room apartment. They are still honeymooning, as she says, for Wichita is new to her. She hails from the Lone Star state.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sleeper of Durango, Colo., were in Wichita during the Easter season just to get acquainted with her new grandson who was born to her daughter, Zola, and her husband. Mrs. Sleeper now has five grandchildren.

Frances Withrow, formerly of Wellington but who had been in Oklahoma several months, is now employed in a cafeteria kitchen in Wichita.

Oklahoma City, Okla., was host to the Southwest Bowling Association April 21 and 22, holding its annual tourney. The Wichita Keglers, Otis Koehn, Captain, Earl Nyquist, Clarence Johnson. George Harms and Flovd Ellinger thought they had a hapless night but were surprised and pleased to learn recently that they placed fifth in the team event. Earl Nyquist got second place in the Singles event. Their wives, except Mrs. Koehn, went along, I guess to see that their husbands did not get into trouble of any kind. Mr. and Mrs. Beene Watkins and children, Mina Munz and Mrs. Ray Miller, were the other Wichitans present at the tourney. On the way back to Wichita, they stopped to visit Will Rogers Memorial Park near Claremont and also visited the Woolerac, the famous museum owned and operated by the Phillips Petroleum Co. They reported seeing many interesting things at both points.

The Wichitans trading their old cars for new or better ones are Earl Nyquist, '56 Chev. Belair, '55 Pontiac for Beene Watkins and '53 Plymouth for Rae Field. When you have your vacation, you want to be carefree and have a good time? Francis Srack. Wichita, had his two-weeks vacation late in April. He was carefree from his job but in a sense, he was not carefree. He worked hard at Gem, at the new farm house of Mrs. Srack's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barnett. He made built-ins and a bar in the large kitchen. Hard work must be good for him as he gained ten pounds but he also is a good eater. They stopped at Garden City, where the largest elephant, as rumored, existed, but it was only six feet tall. It must be the only one in captivity in Kansas. They stopped in Meade to see the famous Dalton Gang hideout and tunnel which is only 50 feet from the main downtown area. Also farther down that way, they saw thousands of evergreen trees grown in a pasture and hundreds of dead trees which suffered from the drought. They failed to see Bridal Bridge near Sun City.

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DESOMS—Front row, left to right: Glenn Baldwin, Jr., Earl C. Norton. Back row: Robert F. Layne, Francis J. Roberts, Alvin R. Brother.

Desoms In The San Francisco Area

In the March, 1954 issue of THE SILENT WORKER there appeared an article about the small, little known Order of Desoms (Deaf Sons of Master Masons). Since that time the Order has enjoyed a goodly measure of orderly growth. A third Lodge has been established at Kansas City and is known as Kansas City Lodge No. 3. The Order has also attracted attention in the San Francisco Bay Area as evidenced by several new members in that locality. While there is no Lodge established in the Bay Area as yet, members residing there being attached to the Los Angeles Lodge No. 2, it is expected that they will be granted a charter from the mother Lodge, Seattle No. 1, in the near future.

Pictured here as the Desoms of the Bay Area. They are Glenn Baldwin, Jr., Earl C. Norton, Robert F. Layne, Francis J. Roberts and Alvin R. Brother. All, with the exception of Mr. Layne, have passed their tests and have been raised to the Master Desom Degree. These men will form the nucleus of the lodge when it is established and well do they deserve the honor for they have faithfully journeyed to Los Angeles several times for their degree work. Their brothers in the Los Angeles Lodge are offering them every assistance and encouragement in getting their projected Lodge established.

It will bear repeating that while the Order of Desoms embodies the same general principles as the Great Order of Freemasonry, it is not a part thereof. Deaf men have always yearned to share in the brotherhood enjoyed by Freemasons. However, for reasons of their own and in accordance with the ancient rules of their craft. Masons have always excluded the deaf from membership. The Order enjoys the advice and assistance of many Masons high in the craft, notably

from the Grand Lodge of the state of Washington. Prominent Masons of California have also expressed interest in the Order and have been helpful in many ways.

Membership in the Order of Desoms is restricted to deaf men who can establish close relationship to a Master Mason in good standing or to a Master Mason in good standing at the time of death. Close relationship is taken to mean by blood or by marriage. For instance a father, a brother, a grandfather or an uncle of either the applicant or his wife is considered to satisfy this requirement for membership. It is probably well to state here that Desoms are forbidden to solicit others to petition for membership. Petitions are furnished only to those who first express an interest in the Order and ask for them. Petitioners for membership must be willing to have their characters scrutinized throughly for the standards of admission are very high.

The Order publishes its own organ, called the *Desomic News*, which is printed quarterly. It contains news and views and articles of interest to anyone and is edited by J. Duncan Fea of Seattle, assisted by Ellsworth E. Davis of Santa Monica as associate editor. Hugo A. Holcombe, the founder and head of the Order is the business manager. Subscription price is \$1 per year and inquiries should be addressed to Mr. Holcombe whose address is 4464 Chestnut Court.

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Otis Koehn, Wichita, motored to Montezuma April 28 to see his sister, Mrs. May Koehn Curtis of Washington, D.C., who had been visiting their mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Conradt, son and daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conradt, Wichita, are now living in California, where he is stationed at a Naval base. Everett has signed up for another three years of serv-

has signed up for another three years of service. He had just completed three years' service in Hawaii. His bride hailed from Hawaii.

Doris Heil, Wichita, has turned her mind to softball this spring. She is again playing with Steffins Dairybelles under the sponsorship of Jennings Construction Co. Will she ever grow

The fishing season has come. A number of Wichita boys have been talking about their fishing plans. Otis Koehn, an ardent fisherman, recently purchased a nice motor boat in which he plans to get big fish which are

not smart enough to get away.

The Wichita Athletic Club of Wichita had its annual election of officers May 5. It will be piloted by Carl Rose with his assistant, Vice President, Doris Heil. The books will continue in the hands of Mrs. Carl Rose, Secretary, third consecutive year. The money affairs are to be looked after by George Ruby. The Senior Trustee is Bill Doonan.

Make your plans to attend the convention of the Kansas Association of the Deaf at Topeka, August 18 and 19. The program is about complete and should look good to you. Details of the program will be announced later. Hope

to see you there. So long!

MISSOURI . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Wefing were very surprised to see Darrel's brother, Lee, of New York, at their home on April 17th. Darrel and Lee had not seen each other for 45 years since Lee ends not seen each other for 45 years since Lee enlisted in the Army at the beginning of World War. I. After the War Lee stayed in New York while Darrell made his home in California and Kansas City. Lee stayed with the Wefings about ten days.

On the afternoon of April 27th, Mark Cur-

tis, aged 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Curtis, was struck by a motor car as he ran across the street near his grandparents' home (Mr. and Mrs. Paul Curtis, Sr.) Mark suffered a head injury and at this writing is reported to be in fair condition at Menorah Hospital. He will be

out of the hospital about May 29th.

A benefit stage show was staged at the Heart of America Club for the Deaf in Kansas City on April 28, by the St. Louis Dramatic Players. Proceeds of \$200.00 will go to the 1957 convention of the N.A.D., which will be held in St. Louis. Mr. Morris Campbell, the chairman of the forthcoming convention, gave a fine Most of those attending agreed that George Smith about stole the show as Emmett Kelly the Clown, and Casey at the Bat. Others participating were Robert Beckett, Mrs. Harry Kemper, Mrs. Paul Roam, Mr. Elmer Griser and other men.

Mrs. Evelyn Clark suffered an elbow chip fracture at Columbia, Missouri, where stopped for coffee, losing her grip and slipping on the gravel. She and her son continued their drive to Kansas and Mrs. Clark appeared in one act at the benefit stage show in spite

of her arm being in a brace.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Dillenschneider, of Kansas City, had as their guest, Mrs. Ida Basham of Sunny Vale, California, for about ten days. Mrs. Basham had a light heart attack and became ill last January. Her two sisters brought her to Topeka, Kansas by plane. She is now able to go home, and spend some time visiting friends in Missouri and Kansas before leaving May 17, for Sunny Vale.

On May 5th, Norman Steele, Kenneth Stand-(continued on page 18)

The Silent Printer

By Ray F. Stallo

440 Miriam Way, Route I Colton, California



Have we any Chinese Silent Printers? Have any of our readers (all four of them) ever thought about the difficulties confronting a Chinese printer? Here is an article we have clipped from the Western Printer and Lithographer which gives us a slight insight into the multitude of problems faced by the printer working in an ideographic written language such as Chinese, Japanese or Korean.

That old Chinese printing plant puzzle, how to avoid tedious hand labor involved in setting and distributing characters, is under hopeful study in this country's newest Chinese newspaper plant, the Free China Press of San Francisco. The situation was cleared up for most of the rest of the world more than half a century ago when Mergenthaler developed the Linotype, but neither that nor the Intertype machine has ever been adapted successfully to setting Oriental characters. Now Mr. Chi Wu Wang, secretary and mechanical superintendent of the Free China Press, is working to solve half the problem with a Japanesemade Koike automatic typesetting machine. It replenishes stocks of type so that what is used each day can be melted rather than laboriously distributed. The machine is capable of casting 50,000 characters a day, Wang reports, which is in excess of the newspaper's present needs. The system is fine theoretically, since the average daily requirement for the 8-page (standard size) publication is about 25,000 characters. However, since each character is a whole word (not a letter), the trick is to guess what words will be needed for use in the immediate future. So far the system seems to be working. The Free China Press has a six-man crew setting type by hand. It is dispensing with the labor of about five more men who would spend all their time distributing type.

The newspaper has imported from China some 15,000 matrices. Body type being used is what is known as No. 5. one size smaller than the No. 4 standard in United States printed Chinese newspapers, and allowing more material per page, but one size bigger than is being used currently in China, which Wang thinks too small for comfortable reading. The Free China Press also has imported eight different styles of headline type. Printing is being done direct from type on a new Goss-manufactured flatbed Cox-o-Type.

If you have been holding your breath

this far for the National Amalgamated Directory of Silent Printers you can let

Wilbur Lee Spence, Jr., Linotype Operator, Evening Star, Silver Springs, Maryland. Brother Wilbur attended the Ohia State School for the Deaf and learned his trade in its efficient print shop.

Billy Whitson, Linotype Operator, Sun Valley Publishing Co., Reseda, California. No other dope on Brother Billy; hope he writes in and tells us

something of himself.

Charles E. Marsh, Compositor, The Pittsburgh Press, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Brother Charlie attended the West Virginia School for the Deaf and learned his trade there.

William J. Royce, Linotype Operator, San Mateo Times, San Mateo, California. Brother Royce attended the Iowa School for the Deaf where he first was bitten by type lice.

W. H. Christian, Pressman, Fleishhacker Paper Box Co., San Leandro, California. Brother Christian attended the Iowa School where he got his first injection of printers ink. Not many deaf pressmen and we would like to hear from more of them.

Obie A. Nunn, Linotype Operator, The Bulletin, Martinsville, Virginia. Brother Obie attended the Virginia School for the Deaf where he learned his

Those of you who note our new address at the top of the column may wonder how come. Because of our remarkable beard we are quite well known and admired around town even to the extent that many of our fellow townsmen (male type) endeavored to duplicate our outstanding feature. Understandably, the results we have achieved could not be duplicated and in chagrin more than half of the male population of the town were about to pack up and leave. Being civic minded we volunteered to remove our abode rather than to disrupt the normal community life. We reserved the right, however, of visiting the town occasionally in order to give the ladies the pleasure of gazing at our beard.

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Mrs. Delta Martin, N.A.D. Office Manager at the Association's home office in Berkeley, California, has been teaching a class in sign language the past three months and this picture shows her with her students. They are psychologists and social workers in San Francisco who find frequent opportunity to be of service to the deaf and for that reason wished to learn the sign language. Mrs. Martin hopes to be able to expand this service next year so that many others in the San Francisco Bay Area may have an opportunity to learn the sign language. In this picture, left to right, are: Charles Bluett, psychologist, in the State Office of Vocational Rehabilitation; Dr. David Farber, a San Francisco psychiatrist who has become deaf; Miss Margaret Taylor, psychology student; Mrs. Mildred Gould, social worker; Mrs. Norma Menkes, psychologist; and Mrs. Martin.

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ley, Clinton Coffey, and Harold Kistler went to Springfield, Ill., to participate in the Sin-gle Handicap Bowling tournament. Clinton and

Kenneth won some prize money.

Erlene Graybill has returned to Overland Park after an absence of two months, in which she visited friends and relatives in California, both Los Angeles and San Francisco, and in Denver and Englewood, Colorado. Erlene spent most of her visit with the Calvin Niningers in Seattle, Wash. Mrs. Nininger (nee Leeoda Flaspohler) gave birth to a baby girl on April 21, whom they have named Karen Lee. Erlene stopped in Denver on May 5th, and spent the day with the Herbert Votaws and attended the Dramatic Skit at the Silent Atheletic club that night.

MONTANA . . .

Miss Jean Anderson is residing in Great Falls while attending Commercial College. Mr. and Mrs. Robert LeMieux are parents of

a new baby girl, who has been named Jan Tena.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Altop entertained at a buffet dinner not long ago with the following in attendance: Mr. and Mrs. D. Younggren, Mr. and Mrs. E. Czernicki, and Misses Petrick and Dorothy Morrison.

Misses Louree Davis and Marlene Skogas

entertained several young people at a "bachelor dinner" and we hear it was a lot of fun.

Mr. Lenore Kanning really toured the country the past winter. He tells us he went as far west as California and as far south as

Mr. Reno Wolf has bought a 1954 Lincoln and the Oravas have just acquired a 1953 Chevrolet sedan. Claude Campbell of Living-ston is driving a 1956 Dodge sedan. Mr. John Clarke, world famous for his

Indian and wild-life carvings, is now working on a project which will be hung in the main lobby of the new Montana Veterans' Pioneer Memorial building. The completed scene will show the decampment of a group of Indians and will be filled with the realistic detail which has made John's work most outstanding. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O'Donnell spent a week

during March visiting the Great Northwest up and around Portland, Vancouver, Washington, and Spokane. They liked the country so well that they decided to move to Portland. The deaf of Helena gave them a farewell party April 5th and the O'Donnells departed April 16th to make their home in Oregon.

Kyrie Lyn arrived April 20th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Garretson. Kyrie Lyn is most welcome company for Randy Lee, who will be eight years old in November.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagerman announce the ar-

rival of baby Sherry Lynn May 5. The Hagermans have another daughter of three years.

James Edward (Ted) Lane passed away during the midnight hours of May 3 in a Townsend hospital where he had been a patient for about ten days. James had been ill for a long time. Prior to his death he had lived in Denver, Colo., where he worked for Schwayder Bros.

A Bridal Shower was given for Louree Davis the 4th of May at Great Falls. Hostesses at the delightful affair were Dorothy Morrison, Beverly Lemieux, and Marlene Skogas.

Mrs. Harold Brandt is seriously ill at this writing and is confined at the Columbus Hospital in Great Falls.

Mrs. Darwin Younggren, Mrs. Richard Mullins, Mrs. Newton Shular, and Mrs. Jay Iserloth were hostesses at a baby shower given in honor of Mrs. Richard Eide April 14th. The baby is expected the first of June.

Robert LeMieux, driving along the high-way April 23, hit a bobcat. Taking the animal to the nearest game warden, Robert got two dollars for his trouble.

Mrs. Mervin Garretson was selected by the Lions Club of Great Falls to receive their Courtesy Driving Award Certificate for the month of April.

Miss Marlene Skogas flew to Maryland the end of March and flew back again with a big sparkler on her third finger, left hand. The lucky gent is Mr. Rudolph Hines, former teacher at the Montana and West Virginia Schools and now teaching the preparatory class at Gallaudet. The wedding is slated for some time during August.

MINNESOTA . . .

LaVerne Mass, class of 1952 at the Minnesota School, slipped up at the Minneapolis Star and Tribune plant on the same day that John Schumacher, on an impulse, quit his night situation. John left for Detroit, Mich., where he hoped to work for at least a month before he attended the basketball shindig at Cleveland, Ohio. From last reports, he is at Washington, D.C., his favorite stamping grounds. His wife Nona and daughter have already joined him. LaVerne came down from St. Cloud, Minn., where he obtained his union card without any trouble last summer. He has been working steadily since his arrival, when he started as 17 in priority on the sub list. He climbed to the 10th spot in less than a month, and at this writing, he is third; it won't be long before he lands a night situa-

The buttons of Joe Feely's coat began popping all over when his wife presented him with a new daughter on April 7. Tipping the scales at 8 lb., 10 oz., she has been christened Mary Grace. Her older brother Joey is really happy to have a little darling playmate. Of course, Joe didn't forget to hand out cigars to his well-wishers.

It is presumed that Lewis Hoysler is the third deaf person in the Twin Cities to sport a brand new car — a 1956 Chev. Bel Air sedan ...Louis Ryg has been driving a 1950 Buick sedan since last fall. His old Ford car gave him so much trouble; hence, the trade in for

Not long ago Albert Toby, ably assisted by Percy Freeburg and James D. Jones, handled the basket social at Thompson Hall. It attracted a good turnout. A nice sum of proceeds helped swell the local Frat treasury. According to the opinions of the judges on the basis of originality, the following winners were awarded in cash: 1st prize—\$3.50—Philip Cadwell; 2nd—\$2.75 to James D. Jones; 3rd —\$2.00 to Willis Sweezo; 4th—\$1.25 to Albert Toby and 5th—\$.50 to Percy Freeburg. Everybody agreed that the men did a much

better job on the baskets than the women.

Mrs. Alice Johnson, whose husband died last January, is believed to be living in St. Paul, now that she already has obtained a job.

Her house in New Ulm is being rented.
Friends will be happy to know that the Dick Stifters are infanticipating for the second time. Dick is still working as a printer in Still-

Supt. Howard Quigley of the Minn. School was scheduled to give a lecture at Thompson Hall on March 10, but unfortunately a heavy snowstorm prevented him from making the motor trip. Instead the evening was spent playing "500." Four tables were occupied. Cash ing "500." Four tables were occupied. Cash prizes for highest scores went to Mrs. Mildred von Heppel, Mrs. Myrtle Allen, William Drees. and Lyle Hansen.

There was a brief item in the Minneapolis Sunday Tribune. announcing that Elaine C. Hasselquist of Minneapolis and Robert Netzloff of St. Paul had chosen June 9 for their wedding at Almelund, Minn., home of the future bride. Both are graduates of the Minn.

School

Mrs. Clara Montgomery was in Chicago Feb. 25, taking in the bowling tournament. She reported that Mike Sacevich of South St. Paul copped first place honors in the tournament. She also attended the Great Lakes Deaf Bowling shindig at Pittsburgh, Pa during the weekend of April 20. Quite a bit of traveling this vear. What next. Clara! She met some of Ye Scribe's old friends, such as Wolfson of Pitts., Shultz of York, Pa., and others.

Over 30 deafies from the Twin Cities attended the basketball tourney at Council Bluffs last February. Wonder if any romances have already blossomed out as a result. Good luck to those lucky ones. Proud to hear that Dale Hartwig was chosen as the MVP. My-

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Clarence Broecker introduced his wife to Ye Scribe at Thompson Hall during the Easter holidays. They came up from Jacksonville, Ill., where Clarence is on the teaching staff at the Illinois School. Clarence was graduated from Gallaudet College in 1952, and has been a teacher since then.

Mrs. Ruth Farber of New York City dropped in at Thompson Hall March 8. It was first thought that she was having a vacation again. Only last summer she was here. Upon further inquiry, it was learned that she received a wedding invitation from her niece; hence, her presence in the Twin Cities. She has since returned to the Big Burg.

Mrs. Lonnie LeFebvre is proud of the fact that she has now two great grandchildren. Another one is on the way, she reported. Last month (April) she underwent another cataract operation—this time on her right eye. At this time of writing, it is not known whether the operation has been successful.

Mrs. Barney Block was ill with shingles for over a month not long ago. She is just about

recovered altho still under her doctor's care.

Anton Flaskerud of Hogeland, Mont., brought along his nephew of Fosston, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Detmer Leerhoff, also of Fosston, for a tour in the Twin Cities. Led by a guide, they went through the Minneapolis Star and Tribune building, March 27. Pre-viously they dropped in at Thompson Hall to renew old acquaintances. By the way, Anton is one of the most successful farmers in Mon-

The annual meeting of the Twin City Deaf Golf League was held Sunday, April 15, 1956, at Thompson Hall. With Leo Latz in the chair. the meeting went on with plans for the summer play. As there were 20 golfers, it was decided to divide them into four teams of five golfers each, according to their averages, so that all of the teams would be evenly matched. Other matters were brought up and discussed. It was agreed that the golfers would be split up in foursomes on different courses to make it easier for the whole league to play on crowded Saturdays. The election results showed: president; Leo Latz; secretary,, Dick McLaughlin (re-elected); treasurer, Jim Grenell (re-elected). On May 5, the golfers played a round in order to establish their aver-

The mother of Delbert Erickson, Mrs. Carrie Erickson, ended her long stay with the Delbert Erickson family about the first of May. She helped them settle down in their new home in Robbinsdale. She went back home in Ohio to

rodding the hour of the stay with her hearing daughter.

Ye Scribe didn't know until recently that Shirley Sweezo traded in his old car for a 1955 Pontiac 4-door sedan last fall. The body is cream with blue on the top. Happy motoring, Shirley!

CALIFORNIA . . .

Bowling along the highways and free-ways, since there don't see to be any byways any-more, in a snazzy new buggy are Maud and Angelo Skropeta. And the new wagon is a Nash Statesman in black and apple green. So far, the Skropetas have made at least three trips down to 344 Janice to show off the new car and no one at home yet. (Try, try again! News Ed.)

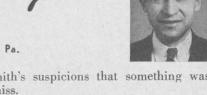
The month of April was the driest in years down in Southern California. However, showers really began with the month of May and one of the nicest, other than just plain rain, was the Baby Shower given by Mrs. O. H. Baldwin in honor of Ruth (Mrs. Roger) Skinner at the Temple Baptist Church for the Deaf in Los Angeles on Friday evening, the 11th of May. Ruth and Roger are just about ready for the wee one's arrival and the rest of us are

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Random Jottings

By Bernard Teitelbaum

4014 Saline Street, Pittsburgh 17, Pa.



Our hopes of conducting a "Tall Tale" contest among our readers did not pan out very well. We heard from exactly one reader and that on a postal card. On the chance that readers wish more time to form their tall tales, we shall extend the time limit of our offer of five dollars for the best tall tale received. The new time limit shall be August 1. If we fail to get a satisfactory response, we shall be compelled to withdraw the offer and return what we have received to the writers.

In a previous issue of The SILENT Worker, we mentioned our attachment for the number "23."

We were in Philadelphia in March of this year to attend the basketball tournament of the Eastern Athletic Association of the Deaf. Checking in at the Broadwood Hotel we were shown to our room which turned out to be Room No. 1123.

At the scene of the tournament we purchased a combination ticket. We were given ticket No. 123.

Checking our coat, we got check No.

Spying a friend out in the hall, we left the gymnasium and were given a temporary check which we later discovered was No. 523.

The charm broke when we checked our coat at the Moose Club, scene of the floor show, when we got check No. 33.

Patrick Capretto of Vandergrift, Penna., possesses for a deaf man an unusual part time remunerative job-that of press photographer. As such he qualifies for a front row seat at local beauty contests or gains admittance to scenes barred to the general public.

This employment is one more proof that where hearing is not essential, the deaf can perform capably.

The subject of this story prefers to remain anonymous so we shall call her Miss Smith. She has made no objection to our telling the story which illustrates that under a stern exterior beats a kind, and warm heart. The story was told to us shortly after its occurrence.

Miss Smith was on her way to spend a vacation at home. She arrived at the Baltimore and Ohio Station in Braddock rather early. It was deserted — the train was not due for some time.

As train time approached, the station remained deserted and this aroused Miss

Smith's suspicions that something was

Upon inquiring she learned that her train was running over the tracks of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad and was due at that station, three blocks away, in a matter of minutes.

Miss Smith became frantic and asked the B&O agent to phone the P&LE agent and ask if the train could not be held up until she could get over. Gallant P&LE officials were willing to oblige a damsel in distress. One can imagine Miss Smith dashing over with her bag flying behind

As soon as she boarded the train, the conductor gave the "Proceed" signal and the powerful diesel up front moved the train without a jar.

At that precise moment, one of the unexpected things in life occurred and one of Miss Smith's earrings fell off and dropped between the couplings. Valuing the bauble highly, Miss Smith screamed that she had lost her earring between the rails.

Quick work by the conductor brought the train to a jolting stop. Members of the train crew went back to retrieve the prized earring and the train started anew to make an uneventful run thereafter.

We are indebted to Mrs. Harriet Mac-Donald of Coplay, Penna., for the following article, clipped from "Focus" magazine:

A medal-seeking cop (in Valetta, Malta) hauled close-mouthed Nicola Cascun into court, accused him of cursing. But his charge backfired. The judge questioned Cascun, found out he was deaf and dumb, and fined the cop-for perjury.

Know all folks that August 9th of 1956 will be the 75th birthday of our Grand Old Man, Dr. Arthur L. Roberts, Grand President of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf. Most of his life has been spent in the service of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf but prior to entering the insurance field, Dr. Roberts was an educator of the deaf, serving at one time as principal of the Kendall School for the Deaf in Washington,

It would be fitting if each and every division of the NFSD would send him a birthday card on that happy occasion.

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waiting around with bated breath for the mo-

mentous announcement.

Local lites are seriously adding to the dense smog which promises to get worse as summer approaches. Back yard barbecues are all the rage and it is becoming quite the fad nowadays to eat out in the back yard after making sure the cat has been locked up in the garage and the dog has been tied to the nearest fence post. One of the nicest back-yard barbecues took place in mid-April at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Miles out in Ontario when Lucille surprised Harvey and son Kenneth with a double birthday party. Guests gathered out in the patio and Kenneth really went to town as Chef. On the guest list were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goff, the Cary Howells, the Gene Valentines, Jim Gerhardts, Mr. and Mrs. William Barwise and Eya Studebaker. Harvey and his son both and Eva Studebaker. Harvey and his son both celebrated their natal days during April and Lucille decided to kill two birds with one stone by surprising both of them at the same time.

Mother's Day was greatly saddened for the deaf of Long Beach and Los Angeles when Mrs. Fred Gries of nearby Lakewood finally succumbed to cancer and passed away quietly in a Long Beach hospital. Mrs. Gries became ill almost a year ago and underwent a series of major operations before hope was finally abondoned for her recovery. She had just reached her 55th birthday a few days prior to her pass ing and her room at the hospital was crowded with flowers, gifts and hundreds of greeting cards from her friends everywhere. Mrs. Gries and her husband Fred enjoyed only 12 years of happiness together, the past five of them in their beautiful new home in Lakewood, and friends from far and near offer sympathy and comfort to Fred upon the loss of his beloved

If our memory serves us right, it was just about four years ago that we smilingly ad-monished Mrs. Grace Noah to keep up the Spirit of '76, when she passed her 76th birth-day. On May 13th, Mother's Day, Grace was honored by her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gondon Whitnall, at a reception in their lovely home, the occasion being Grace's 80th birthday. Friends appeared in droves from 2 to 4 p.m. that afternoon and more came from 7 to 9 that evening to do honor to our Grace. kiss her and hug her and wish her many more happy birthdays.

Taking to the highways May 26 were quite few southlanders who hied themselves to Mesa, near Phoenix, Arizona, to take part in the annual gathering at Phoenix Y.M.C.A and make merry the following day, Sunday, at the Annual Picnic in Mesa at Rendezvous Park. Chairman of this year's event was Mrs. Doris Combs of Glendale, Arizona, and everyone had fun under the bright Arizona sun.

Never again will Carrie Schlack declare that "flying is for the birds". Carrie and husband Charles took off from Burbank the last week of April for a reunion with Carrie's sister Eula of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and made the trip both ways by plane. Carrie admits she was scared out of her wits at first but now declares she is

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sold on flying. Friends from all over Oklahoma gathered at a picnic planned for Carrie and Charles by Eula and the couple visited in Ardmore, McAlester, and other Oklahoma cities before departing most reluctantly after two weeks. They are now back at home in Wilmington and Charles is back at work out at the plane plant in Inglewood
The annual picnic up in Bakersfield takes

place in Mid-June and the Ridge Route (U.S. 99) will be crowded with a huge caravan of automobilies taking southlanders up the valley for the enjoyable event. Conveniently located almost half-way betwen Los Angeles and Fresno, Bakersfield plays host to a goodly crowd at

the picnic year after year.

Waite L. Mead, 71, of Myrtle Avenue, Long Beach, was honored recently upon his retirement from 33 years of constant service to the Soft Water Laundry, 702 W. Anaheim, Long Beach. Waite started to work back in 1923 and at the time of his retirement was presented with a framed certificate and an expensive wrist watch by Mr. Earl Fast, General Manager, who stated that Mr. Mead had never once missed a day of work for the Company. Congratulations, Waite, and a most happy life of ease for both you and Mae!

Mr. and Mrs. Art C. Johnson of North Long Beach entrained from Los Angeles the 8th of May, and postal cards keep coming from Art telling us of the wonders of their trip east to visit friends and family. Latest card came from Kansas City, Missouri, and although Art says they are enjoying themselves, they already miss California and here's betting they'll be missing it even more before they turn westward again

Newcomers to the Los Angeles area are Mr. and Mrs. William Travis, Sr., and their two children who are making their home in nearby Huntington Park. William has secured employment at one of the Hughes Aircraft plants in Inglewood and the little family has about settled down to life in California. They hail from

Indianapolis, Ind.

Joy reigns at the home of the Wendell Wiley's and the Melvin Harbert's now that Jennie Melvina has arrived. Weighing at slightly over 8 pounds on April 23rd, little Jennie now scales in excess of 9 pounds. Mama and Papa are Joan and Melvin Harbert and the doting grandparents are Joan's mother and dad, Ethel and Wendell Wiley.

Wendell Wiley departed the end of May for a year's stay down in Houston, Texas, where he will work as a spray-painter. Ethel plans to keep the home fires burning and join Wendell at Christmas time. Ethel says she had better keep her job in Los Angeles because both she and Wendell hope to make it to the International Games in Rome, Italy, come 1957.

The Ephpheta Society of the Deaf entertained with a 7th Annual Ball at the Knights of Columbus Hall on South Bonnie Brae in Los Angeles the evening of June 2nd with a goodly crowd attending. William Lally served as the capable chairman and everyone had fun joining in the dancing and other amusements.

Newest of the new home owners hereabouts are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Holmes in Anaheim; Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Hazan in West Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Grossman in the

San Fernando Valley.

Mrs. Velva F. Grisham, official interpreter for the deaf of the county of Los Angeles, passed away suddenly of a heart attack during April. Mrs. Grisham enjoyed the friendship of hundreds of the deaf of this area and her passing means the loss of a good friend of the deaf. Friends of Beverly (Mrs. Jack) McCallon gathered at the home of Mrs. Frances Ripplinger in late April to show the passing means the loss of a good friend of the deaf.

ger in late April to shower Beverly with items of infant wear in anticipation of the arrival of the new baby right soon. And newest baby to put in an appearance is the little son of Dorothy and Ed Cox. Evelyn and Emory Gerichs are little Richard's grandparents. Raymond Christopher arrived the 4th of April to gladden the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sund.



Wins Bowling Trophy — Pictured above is Richard O. Eide, Great Falls, Montana, who received the high-series cup in the Printing Crafts Handicap League in Great Falls. For his high series of 678, Eide received both cash and the trophy. The Printing Crafts League, which is sanctioned by the American Bowling Congress, is planning on inviting a team of all-deaf bowlers into their league next season. Eide is a floorman at the Great Falls Tribune, which also employs two deaf operators.

Eleanor Conte happily announces her engagement to handsome young John Vrecko and we predict that wedding bells will ring out anon.

Virginia Gill of Long Beach and tall and good-looking Glen Horton were wed in April.

Goldye DeCastro went east to New York for a long-awaited vacation during May and Benjamin departed to see his family down in Pan-

Although Frank had hoped to keep it a secret until they had moved, the news leaked out anyway and within a week or so Pat and Frank Luna will be moving the baby and everything into the home they have purchased in Lynwood. Others who have bought a home and moved in are Eleanor and Don Nuernberger and baby. Truly, it just isn't considered the fashion to pay rent any more, huh?

Bay Area News . . .

Mr. John P. Barthe of Livermore, Head Gardener for U. S. Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore, retired May 31, after more than 31 years in government service, all of which was at this hospital. Mr. Barthe was a member of the crew that built this hospital, converting a hilltop and a vineyard into the present beautiful grounds. He has had a hand in the planting and care of virtually every flower, shrub, tree and lawn, which brings praise and comments on the attractiveness of the hospital surroundings from many visitors. At a banquet, Mr. Barthe was presented with a diamond signet ring, bearing his initial B, as well as several other useful gifts. Best wishes to Mr. Barthe for a happy and well

Miss Angela Watson, Girls' Counsellor, Berkeley School for the Deaf, and Miss Ann Murphy, a teacher from Tuscon, Arizona, are spending their vacation by taking a journey to Ketchikan, Alaska. Their stay in Alaska will be from 3 to 10 weeks, depending on their ability to land a job in some fish cannery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ramger are building

a new home in the Montclair district, near the Berkeley School for the Deaf, where they are on the teaching staff. This is their third home since they were married. Harold, who learned carpentry from his dad, built and sold a duplex in Berkeley. He then bought a home in Orinda, which he also sold. Presently he and Cato are living in a home which he built

mostly by himself.

Mr. Bernard Bragg, another teacher in the Berkeley School, left here on May 31 for New York via the airlines. He stayed there with his aunt, Mrs. Lena Peters, until June 3; then he left for Paris, France by steamboat. Mr. Bragg plans to stay there for one month to study pantomime with Marcel Marceau. While in France he hopes to rent a small car, such as a Renault or a Volkswagen, to drive in Europe. His plan for pleasure is to tour France, Italy, Germany, and other countries. He expects to see more of Europe by car than he would by any other means of transportation. When you return, please tell us about your trip.
On May 18 Mrs. Loyse Patrick of San Jose

and Mr. Cecil Akers were united in marriage in Reno, Nevada. They went on a honeymoon trip to Lake Tahoe in rain, sleet, and storm. They are making their home in Oakland, as Cecil has a position with a rubber company in nearby Emeryville. Mrs. Patrick's daughter is overjoyed at having a new dad. Congratu-

Mrs. Florence Mathews Ballard has moved from her home in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to live in Oakland with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mathews, who have recently bought a new home. Mrs. Bal-lard's daughter Patricia, of Chicago, and her baby are spending their vacation with Mr. and Irs. Mathews for a month or so.

Mrs. Ethel Carlson decided to move from

her Portland, Oregon, home to live with her sister, Mrs. Lila Fromm, of Berkeley.

Jack Q. Jason, first child of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Jason of San Leandro, was born June 10, weighing in at 7 pounds 3 ounces. Con-

gratulations to the proud parents!

Mrs. Louise Barthe of Livermore and Mrs. Mary McCracken of Hayward gave a big surprise shower for Mr. and Mrs. George Durant of Hayward to celebrate their silver wedding anniversary. They were given a big wedding cake, and a hot luncheon was served. The happy couple was presented with \$38 and several gifts by the 38 people who attended. The function was held at Mrs. Barthe's home in Livermore

Beatrice Krebs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Krebs, and Mel Ewan were married at a double-ring ceremony at Sharp Park Presbyterian Church. The bride's father gave her away, and her sister Ruth was the bridesmaid. A reception followed in the bride's parents' home in Sharp Park. One hundred people attended. The wedding cake was beautifully tiered on three levels. The couple was showered with many, many useful gifts. Congratulations to the happy couple!

The latest addition to the numerous hobbies of Mr. Fred Buenzle of San Francisco is a pure black French Poodle named Peepi. The son and daughter-in-law of Mrs. William

McCracken of Hayward were the lucky winners of a two-weeks' trip by plane to New York with all expenses paid, given by the Lucky Supermarket of Hayward. Lucky guys!

The Lutheran Church for the Deaf held its annual picnic on June 17, at Concordia College in Oakland. A good local crowd was there with many outside visitors.

It is reported that Mrs. Beatrice Lewis of

Piedmont is now touring Europe.
A baby contest was held at the Eastbay Club for the Deaf on May 30. Of the several children who were in the contest, Freddy Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, was crowned King; Barbara, daughter of Mrs. Louise Chanis, was crowned Queen. Judy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ramponi, was chosen runner-up to the Queen, and Donnie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ingraham, was chosen runner-up to the King. They

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FILMS IN REVIEW

Bu J. Jerome Dunne

In the May issue of THE SILENT Worker, this reviewer wrote a piece concerning the merits of the film "Alexander the Great.'

He was so overwhelmed by the magnificence and superiority of the screen play that he neglected to inform you film-goers that this film is suitable only to the intellectual segment of the filmgoing public. It is a film that requires a certain amount of thinking on your

Indeed, this pictorial masterpiece contains more dialogue than action. Unless one understands the dialogue one can become confused about the plot and eventually become bored. Among the deaf, this is true. Hearing the film is essential to comprehend the screen play. It is a pity that a picture of that magnitude is not available to the deaf via English sub-titles.

If the first review has misled you, the reviewer apologizes for your encountering disappointment instead of pleasure.

Forbidden Planet

An MGM Picture

Here is a film that science fictioneers would enjoy to their hearts' content. It takes place in the year 2200 A.D.

It tells the story of an expedition to the planet Altair in search of a lost expedition which took off from earth 20 years earlier.

Under the command of Leslie Nelson as Capt. Adams, the space ship lands safely on Altair and the crew discovers the two survivors, played by Walter Pidgeon as Dr. Moribus and Anne Francis as Altaira Moribus.

The film devotes a greater part of the time to a vanished race called the Krells and its villians who are both indestructable and invisible. The explanation of its technology is complicated.

The story has a good solution as to what happened to the Krells and is going to happen to Capt. Adams and his space ship.

A good and enjoyable film fare with sufficient action to keep things lively. The color and settings are exceptionally good.

The Birds and the Bees

A Paramount Picture, directed by Norman Taurog

A slightly daffy tale of a millionaire's son who is bumbling through life.

The story takes place on an ocean liner bound for America. George Gobel is a shy snake fancier with everyone on the ship vying for his attention. It was so for his money rather than for his looks. He gets involved with card sharks, who have a hard time trying to take his money by a method that borders on larceny. One of the sharks, Mitzi Gaynor suddenly and truly falls in love with him and prevents her compatriots from carrying out their larcenous pursuits. George, crestfallen upon discovering her occupation, drops her as his fiancee. She tries to get revenge by donning a French accent and dressing her father, David Niven, as a French Count with a plan on barging in on George's palatial mansion to charm his father. Poor George gets into one scrape after another.

Bye and bye the misunderstanding clears up and they live happily ever

This film may be enjoyed by the younger set who go for slapstick rather than straight comedy. The older set, this reviewer feels, would not get any kick out of it.

The Harder They Fall

A Columbia Picture

The sporting world yelled foul at the treatment against boxing as parlayed in this new film, starring Humphrey Bogart, Rod Steiger, and Jan Sterling. It is a bitter film with no holds barred which strikes relentlessly at a 3,000 year old game. It is in fact an indictment against boxing. In the original version of the film ending, Bogart, as a newspaper man wrote "Boxing should be outlawed even if it takes an act of Congress." The watered down version as vou will see it written thusly, "The boxing business must rid itself of the evil influences of crooked managers and racketeers, even if it takes an act of Con-

The sociological effect of this film must have been terrific because as a result a bill is pending in the Illinois State Legislature to ban boxing in the State of Illinois

The tale begins as Bogart joins Steiger, head of the boxing and gambling syndicate. His job is to publicize the career of the South American fighter. The friendly but stupid pugilist, Mike Lane, is headed for headlines and headaches. He is big, 7 feet tall, and massively built, but his hands are like glass. Steiger, however, steamrolls him to win by bribing other fighters to take dives.

The Latin wins every bout and thinks he did it on his own until finally comes the heavyweight championship, in which he is pummeled senseless. In this scene, the slaughter was a stomach churning affair.

The story has been accused of paralleling the true events which happened to Primo Carnera during the early 30's.

The photographic effect was frighteningly good and the direction by Mark Robson was exceptionally well done.

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were each presented with a trophy. The baby contest was given for the family of EBCD members, under the guidance of Mr. Ed Mathews. It was the first time a contest of this nature was undertaken.

Tony and Roger Munoz, brothers of Mrs. George Loustalat and Mrs. A. Burgos, are spending the summer with their folks in Richmond. They both attend Gallaudet College

and expect to be teachers when graduated.

Mr. Irving Simon of Boston, Massachusetts, a contractor, is visiting his sister, Freda, in Orinda for the summer. He is remodeling her house, which was cracked from last winter's heavy rains.

New additions to the Bay Area are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Toste of Modesto. He has worked for several years in the Modesto cannery, but there are so few deaf people in Modesto that they moved to the Bay Area where they can mingle with the deaf. He would like to get

job at the Richmond Ford plant.

Mrs. Robert (Helen Coffey) Mepham of San Francisco, is one of the few deaf people who were fortunate enough to get on Queen for a Day with Jack Bailey, was crowned Queen for a Day. Her wish, which was for an electronic warning system that would flash lights throughout the house whenever her baby cries, was granted. She was picked over three other contestants and will receive the flasher system, a food freezer, a set of living room furniture, an automatic washer, an electric broiler, a new wardrobe, and a gay whirl of Hollywood spots. Plus all of this, she received a tour of night clubs and restaurants in San Francisco when she returns home. Wasn't she lucky?

Mr. and Mrs. John Barthe, their daughter,

Barbara, and daughter-in-law went to Los Angeles for the funeral of Mr. Barthe's younger brother, Peter Barthe. The latter died of cancer of the chest. He was a frequent visitor in the Bay Area, where he had many friends who attended the Berkeley School with him. Sym-pathy goes to his wife and relatives.

Mrs. Shirley Heffington was called to Minnesota recently upon the death of her favorite uncle. She stayed there for a two-week visit

with her relatives. Sympathy goes to her also.

Berkeley-Oakland Division No. 79 Aux. Frat
held a banquet at Milani's Italian Restaurant,
not far from EBCD Hall, June 2. Forty-five attended — Aux. Frats and Frats. Not one word was written or spoken to the hearing head waitress, as she is proficient at the sign language and is the daughter of Mr. Kunckley of Grass Valley, a deaf man.

VIRGINIA . . .

Born to the Charles Ellisons of Land O'Lakes, Fla., a daughter, Ceres Brown, on Feb. 24. Her brother and sister welcome this tiny 5-pound bundle with delight. frequent visitors with Charles' former Clarke School classmate, Robert Harper and family at Bedford, as they drive to their second home at Basking Ridge, N. J. Charles drove a moving van up in December to load down some belongings for the new babe.

LeRoy Ridings, "a green thumb" at carpentry and house-building, has built his own, a new 81-foot house down on a lake of Shreveport, La., where the Mrs. is teaching a private school. They formerly taught at V.S.D.

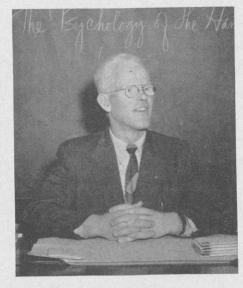
The John Dorriers (Alice Forbes), Scottsville, spent a week visiting his sister at Orlando, Florida.

Elmo Crowder, Hampton, was recently featured in "Airscoop," as one of the eight men who served the nearby Langley Air Base faithfully for 15 years. All received beautiful Service Pins. Congratulations!

Willie Perry, Akron, O., underwent a major operation there and had to remain in the hospital long enough to take care of himself for he had no nearby relatives to care for him.







Floyd J. McDowell

We find Floyd imbued with the true chess player's philosophy of the game; he loves to play no matter the outcome. It is the beauty of making combinations, of acting out ideas and theories, and the execution of plans that appeal to him. We will let Floyd sketch his life:

"Born in Whitefish, Montana on May 30, 1921. Spent the greater part of my childhood in Montana, except for a short stay in Los Angeles, California, in 1936. It was in the summer of 1936 at Los Angeles that I first learned the game of chess from a public playground supervisor. My interest was short lived and I had no further contact with the game until 1949 when I joined the Great Falls, Montana, Chess Club.

"Marvin Garretson and Joe Stevenson also belonged to the same club. The three of us were teaching at the Montana School for the Deaf at that time. For several years we played regularly every week and sharpened our game considerably.

In 1954 I came to California to teach the Deaf-Blind at the California School for the Blind. I soon joined the Berkeley Chess Club for the Deaf. Neither by reputation nor performance can I claim fame as a chess player, but there are few who surpass me in enjoyment of the game. (Floyd has given many of the better players hard fought games and has beaten some of them. We can remember one game we were lucky to draw with him.)

"I have won a few games from play-

ers of note in our circle of acquaintances. One such rarity was a game I won from Marvin D. Garretson. Forgive me, Gary, for selecting this game:"

Queen's Gambit Declined

White:		Black:
	McDowell	M. D. Garretson
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	15. Q-B2(d) N-B3
2. P-QB4	P-K3	16. P-KR3 B-K3(e)
3. N-QB3	N-KB3	17. BxB OxB
4. B-N5	QN-Q2	18. R-N3 Q-K2(f)
5. P-K3	B-K2	19. R-B1 KR-K1
6. N-B3	0.0	20. Q-B5 N-Q2(g)
7. R-B1	P-B3(a)	21. QxQ RxQ
8. B-Q3	PxP	22. RxNP QR-K1(h)
9. BxP	N-Q4	23. RxBP P-B4
10. BxB	QxB	24. P-Q5 N-B3
11. 0-0	NxN	25. R(6)-B7 RxR
12. RxN	P-QR4(b)	26. RxR NxP
13. B-N3	P-K4	White went on to
14. N-Q2	K-R1(c)	win with the pawn advantage.

Notes by the Chess Editor:
(a) Too passive. We prefer the aggressive move—P-B4.

A weak move as it threatens nothing. Preferable was 12 . . P-QN4, followed by B-N2.

Why?) 14... PxP would give White a weak center pawn which could be attacked several times.

(d) Better was 15. PxP to avoid the weak pawn formation. Also the next move leaves

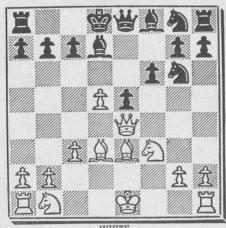
the Bishop in a poor position at N3.
Giving White his chance to exchange the weak bishop.

18 . . P-QN4 was the move needed to

18 . . P-QN4 was the move strengthen the pawn formation.

Leads to loss of a pawn. QxQ was better. (h) Loses another pawn for nothing and the game is lost.

BLACK



WHITE

White to play and mate in ? moves.
Solution: 1. QxN check, PxQ; (if 1. K-K2, 2. B-B5 mate) 2. BxP check, K-K2: 3. B-B5 checkmate.

Results: Bostwick 2, Yule 0 (3rd B) Kannapell 1, Rosenkjar 0 (3rd A) Font 1, Kannapell 0 (3rd A)



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A 60-Minute Football Player for 18 Years . . . The Indestructive Veteran of Old Goodyear Silents Team for 11 Years

By James L. Nine

CHARLES R. "BUCK" EWING with his green eye shade around his head sat up after reading some newspapers on his easy chair, switched off the TV, stuck out his paw and shook hands. He stands up like a soldier, straight and broad. He looks tough to you, but he is good at heart. He is 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighs 165 pounds.

"It's sure good to see you," he said, flashing that well-known Ewing smile.

That was a few months ago when I paid him a visit in his apartment where he has lived alone for some two years since his wife passed away. (She was the former Rubv Reed of the Kentucky School for the Deaf, whom he married in El Centro, Calif., on August 25, 1920. They had no children).

Football has been Charles Ewing's athletic "love" for almost a half century. And for more than three decades the easy-going chap of Akron, Ohio, has been telling everybody of his great days with the oval ball, and recalling the days in the twenties, when he played on the football team that three times won the Ohio State semi-pro championship.

That team was the famous Goodyear Silents eleven on which Ewing was the

only gridder who played in all eleven campaigns from 1916 to 1927.

Here's what Ed S. "Coach" Conner, who had coached many good teams, has to say about Charles Ewing in his letter to me some time ago:

I have seen and coached many great football players and am pleased to say that Charles "Buck" Ewing who played center on the Goodyear Silents football team was one of them. "Buck" was a player that coaches dream about but seldom find that dream to come true. He was a natural in both mind and body. He knew what, when, and how to do it and he did it. His mental and physical alertness was backed up with speed, strength and will to win. He liked a game to be fast, hard, rough and tough. In eleven years playing center for the Silents he made but one bad pass to the backfield. That in itself is a great record. Buck believed and played—if you hit your opponent harder than he hits you, you won't get hurt and with him it worked that way. Yes, Buck was a great football player and to me one of the top centers.

Ewing showed me his two scrapbooks he has maintained, extolling the exploits of the Goodyear Silents team during the time it was the scourge of Ohio gridirons, and during which high scores were rolled up against opponents.

Those two books attracted me so much that I removed my hat and overcoat to sit down and look them over. They





Charles R. "Buck" Ewing as he is today recalling the days when he played football for 18 years. He's now 61 years old and lives in Akron, Ohio. Last June 12th he completed his 40th year with the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.

measure about two feet long and two feet wide. The clippings are almost yellow from age, but they are still good and plain enough to be read. They are very important and should not be overlooked. They are worth \$2,000, no doubt, and I am sure Ewing is the only guy on earth that collects them. Anybody that played for those old Goodyear Silents such as Edward Foltz, Charles Marshall, Scott Cuscaden, Dewey Deer, Lou Massey, and several others, had better stop in Akron to take a look at Ewing's two scrapbooks.

Ewing then asked me, "Should anything happen to me, what would be done with my two scrap books?" I suggested that they be given to the AAAD Hall of Fame Committee who will see to it that they be taken care of. He agreed and later told me that he has willed them to the Committee.

(Editor's Note: What the author said about the two scrap books maintained by Charles R. Ewing is true for we have seen them when we paid him a visit while we were in Akron, Ohio, last April 8th, on our way back home after attending the recent AAAD National cagefest at Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Ewing, by the way, is one of the outstanding prospects for the AAAD Hall of Fame.)

Charles was born near Stampinground, Kentucky (Scott County), on December 4, 1895, so he must be nearly 61 years old now.

He was one of the greatest football players ever to carry the laurels of the

Buck Ewing and the author, J. L. Nine, read his scrapbook.



Charles R. Ewing removing from its curing mold the nation's first synthetic rubber made completely of government-produced materials. This photo appeared in THE WINGFOOT CLAN for April 7, 1943. Another similar photo, which was published in THE AKRON BEACON JOURNAL about seven years ago, shows P. W. Litchfield, Chairman of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., donning heavy canvas gloves to help Ewing remove the 475 millionth tire from the mold. The production milestone was reached with a tire designed for mud and snow work.

Kentucky School for the Deaf. The following article written by Charles A. Thomas, printing instructor at KSD, which appeared in *The Kentucky Standard* for March 8. 1956, tells about Ewing's football days at the school:

"He entered the Kentucky school in 1903 and left in 1916 and headed for the Goodyear company to work and play more football on the famous Goodyear Silents team. He first tasted the rudiments of football at the Kentucky school in 1909 when Mr. O. C. Meunier, a Kentucky and Gallaudet College grad, first organized football here. In 1912 and 1914, 'Buck,' as his Akron teammates called him, played at center. In 1914-1915 he played halfback. (He was captain of the 1915 team.—Ed.)

"Being a player made of steel, weighing a mere 140 pounds, with sharp eyes on all goings on and possessing the will to win he showed great spirit and sportsmanship in all the games he played with his alma mater. Under the guidance of coach Meunier and Mr. George Barron, coming from the Mt. Airy School for the Deaf, who at the time was boys' supervisor, the great football teams of the Kentucky school of the years 1912-1916 won high praise and respect from such teams they met as Centre, University of Kentucky frosh, Transylvania College, Lindsey-Wilson Junior College and many nearby schools.

"On leaving school 'Buck' Ewing did not quit football . . . he joined up with the Goodyear Silents and played more and better football. He stopped playing in 1927 at a ripe old age after 18 years of hard bucking and tangling with some

of the nation's greatest players. All through his football career there have been many unusual incidents in connection with his playing, some of which have never been told.

"In an interview with some old-time football players recently I found that one of the most striking things to come in the football career of 'Buck' Ewing was the time the Kentucky school played the famous Somerset High School in 1913 when Somerset had those great and immortal players, 'Red' Weaver at center, 'Red' Roberts at tackle and Bo Mc-Millan at quarter. These three great men later entered Centre College and were the main cog in beating Harvard, kicking a field goal. The same teams 6-0 in 1919. Somerset beat the Kentucky school team 10-6 with 'Red' Roberts in 1914 and 'Buck' Ewing and his team met again on the Kentucky school field beat them 10-3 with 'Red' Weaver scoring 3 points by a field goal.

In the year 1914 the Kentucky school played the University of Kentucky frosh, a team that had a long stretch of undefeated and unscored on wins. 'Buck' Ewing made the first touchdown over the U. of K. frosh but was called back on holding penalties by a teammate. After two more tries of hard bucks, he got the ball to easy scoring distance when George Barron went over to score. U. of K. frosh won the game but the Kentucky school's determined pigskinners marred their long record of not being scored on. A large crowd of Centre College students were on hand to root for the Kentucky school team. when a near free-for-all almost started, as an attempt was made by some to eject the referee who called the penalty. Centre and U. of K. had been rivals for years in football.

"In 1915 Transylvania College of Lexington beat the Kentucky school 20-0. That same year Transylvania beat the University of Kentucky and won the State championship. The 1912-1915 Kentucky school team played Centre College four time, winning one game and losing three. So from all the records on hand the Kentucky school team matched power with some of the best teams in the nation of that day.

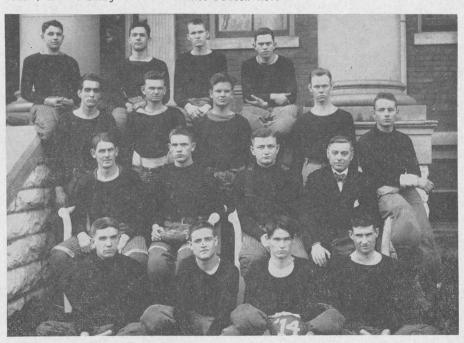
"'Buck' Ewing was not destined to see his football days end, for years later while playing on the Akron semi-professional team as center he again came face to face with the famous 'Red' Weaver and 'Red' Roberts, who were then playing for the New York Yankees professional team. Such a small world.

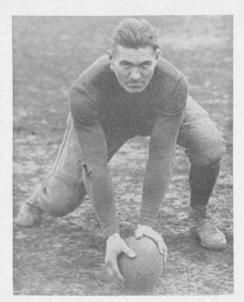
"During 'Buck' Ewing's school career in football his teams played about 32 games in a span of four years, winning about half and losing about half which is not a bad record considering the great strength of the better teams of those days.

"The great sportsman and builder of the Kentucky school athletics, Max N. Carcosson (bless his heart) used to tell long stories about the great feats of those teams and individual players and often repeated that it was Chas, 'Buck' Ewing in there that lit the spark for the Kentucky school teams."

At KSD Charles learned the trade

Charles R. "Buck" Ewing played on this greatest Kentucky School for the Deaf eleven. Players representing the 1914 edition are from left to right: First row—Asher Odel (sub.), James Turner (qb), Ernest Dedman (re), Alex Sams (sub. and g). Second row—Andy Smith (g and back), Bruchell Smith (fb), George Barron (coach and rhb), Max Marcosson (mgr.). Third row—Eli Carr (sub.), Garvett Lowry (c), Ansil Haggard (rt), Vernon Manning (sub.), Crawford Fugitt (lt). Top row—Hebert Stewart (lg), Willie Suttka (sub.), Charles Ewing (lhb) and Bernice Dawson (le).





Charles R. "Buck" Ewing as center on the famous Goodyear Silents football team — of which he was the indestructible veteran of the entire II-year campaign from 1916 to 1927. In those II years he never missed a game.

of printing. Just before his graduation he was offered a position at Transylvania Printing Co. in his home town, but he was talked through a letter from his friend into coming to Akron, Ohio, for a job at the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., so that he could join the famous Goodyear Silents to play professional football. Charles thought it over, but he chose to keep his promised job at home. However, another letter tempted him, so he packed up right after gradnation and began his career as a tire finisher at the rubber plant on June 12, 1916. He joined the Flying Squadron, which was organized on July 25, 1918, and from which he was graduated in 1921 with high honors, completing his full factory course, mastering the operation in practically every department of the plant, and having also taken the same school work in Goodyear Industrial University.

We saw in Goodyear's "Wingfoot Clan" the other day a piece about three or four of the Old Goodyear Silents dropping in on Charles R. Ewing, of Plant Two. The big idea was to congratulate Ewing on completing his 40th year with Goodyear, but very soon the talk turned to the days when the Silents were the perennial semi-pro champs of Ohio. In the group that talked it over with Ewing were Dennis Wickline, George Barron, and Winfield Roller—all famous names on the sports page in the Twenties.

The Silents hold the all-time scoring mark in these parts, once beating a Windsor, Ont., team by 115 to 0. Other high scores included a 48-0 win over the Canton Bulldogs; 31-13 over the Goodyear Regulars; a 52-0 decision over Columbus Barracks, forerunner of the

Present Ft. Hayes team; 20-0 win over Lorain and a second victory over the Goodyear Regulars, 10-6. One of the closest battles was a 0-0 tie with the tough Camp Sherman team, tutored, incidentally, by Coach Ed Conner.

Stories about the Silents are legion but one we like much concerns the great old-time All-American "Fats" Henry, now athletic director at his old school, Washington and Jefferson.

Fats was playing with a pro team against the Silents and thought he could indulge in some tough talk to his opponent without fear of retaliation. After all, the guy couldn't hear him, he reasoned.

So Fats really had fun all afternoon exercising his vocabulary. Once or twice he felt that maybe his opponent could hear a little for he certainly gave Fats a lethal look. But Fats pooh-poohed the thought.

Not until years later did Fats learn how close he came to a quick deep-freeze. His opponent was a ringer who had been called upon to fill a gap in the Silents' line. The ringer could hear very well. And he was a huge man from the pits who later almost became heavy-weight champion of the world — fellow name of K. O. Christner.

When Charles first came to Akron he was introduced to Eddie Foltz, now teaching at the Oklahoma School for the Deaf, and was asked: "Are you that Ewing of Kentucky. I thought you were a big man of 200 pounds?" Naturally Foltz was surprised, but nevertheless put Ewing on the team.

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Helen Thomas Selected 'Athlete of Year' for 1955

Receives First Annual A.A.A.D. Award



Helen Thomas, fifteen year old deaf sharpshooter who won the North American Clay Target title at 16 yards for a score of 197 out of 200 at the National meet held in Vandalia, Ohio, last August, was selected by the American Athletic Association of the Deaf to receive the first annual Athlete of the Year plaque.

She received the award, donated by the Helms Athletic Foundation, at a ceremony held at the Los Angeles Club of the Deaf, May 19th. Bill Schroeder, Helms Hall president, made the presentation. Proceeds of this affair went towards the U. S. International Games for the Deaf Fund.

The award, newest of its kind to be adopted by the AAAD, is presented to the outstanding male or female who has proved a standout in sports during the previous year.

Winners for this top annual presen-

Winners for this top annual presentation are chosen by ballots supervised by the American Athletic Association of the Deaf Hall of Fame committee consisting of Edward S. Foltz, of Sulphur, Okla.; Max Friedman, of New York City; Art Kruger, of Beverly Hills, Calif.; Troy E. Hill, of Dallas, Texas, and Leonard Warshawsky, of Chicago, Ill., who doubles as chairman. Regional officers, sports writers of deaf publications and coaches in various schools for the deaf make up the twenty others on the election panel.

Miss Thomas is a student at Foshay Junior High School in her native Los Angeles. Besides trapshooting, she is an excellent swimmer, ice-skater and bowler. With her trusty Winchester, she is an expert duck, quail and dove hunter.

Prior to the National meet at Vandalia, Helen won the Mullinex Shoot with 220 out of 250. At the Ventura, Calif. Rod and Gun Club against 82 adults, she finished first for high honors with 194 out of 200! At the William H. Cree shoot at Long Beach, she tied with Don Harms, making 191 out of a possible 200. Miss Thomas aims her 12-gauge Winchester from a 23 yard handicap! At present, she is the California Women's State champion.

Helen, a petite blue-eyed blonde, appeared on the T-V program "You Asked For it" last October 23. She has been honored by the Los Angeles Examiner's Teen-Age Hall of Fame and has received an excellent write-up in the first issue of the newest teen-age magazine, "Dig" and placed in its Hall of Fame as well. Besides these numerous honors. Helen was chosen captain of the All American Women's Trap-shoot team for 1956 by Jimmy Robinson, of Sports Afield magazine.

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And after that Ewing was the indestructable veteran of the entire 11-year campaign of the old Goodyear Silents football team. He was never taken out of a game. When the team was disbanded after the 1927 season Ewing was the very last player left on the team. The last game he played was in Columbus, Ohio, where the Goodyear Silents. out of practice, defeated the Ohio school for the Deaf. 18-6

While he was a great football player, Ewing is a great outdoor man. He loves hunting, fishing, camping, and swimming. He is a lover of birds and dogs. He lost his beloved hunting dog, aged 13 years, several years ago. He has a set of three hunting guns hanging on the wall in his bedroom. He also loves to write, study, typewrite, think and especially smoke cigars. His favorite poem is "Buffalo." If you want to know his poem right, just ask him, and he will "sing" it to you.

When Ewing was on his vacation in 1948, he went to visit his people in Kentucky. While there he saw his Alma Mater practicing football. He got himself in gridiron outfits to help the school coach with some drills. The next day. being 53 years old, he was kept in bed due to stiffness all over. He got well several days later and decided not to touch football again. However, he is still a football fan, going to see high school and college games in order to keep football alive in his mind.

May your football days live forever, "Buck," in thoughts, reminiscences. stories, and fame. And may you be admitted to the AAAD Hall of Fame some

day. You sure deserve it!

Frankie Duran Now Fighting in Pro Ranks

Bu Ray Butler

Coach, Texas School for the Deaf

One of the winningest box fighters in these parts is a former Texas School for the Deaf student and athlete, Frank Duran, an Austin fly-bantamweight leather pusher. Young Frank, as local people remember him, won the Austin Regional Golden Gloves Tournament a couple of years ago but could not get a shot at the state crown in Ft. Worth because of his deafness. That ruling by the State Golden Glove officials is perhaps the most unsportsmanlike and unfair treatment that a deaf athlete has ever received in Texas. To make the irony of it even more distasteful, the ruling was made by the very people who profess to champion sportsmanship and fair play.

After the Fort Worth setback, thanks mostly to Flem Hall, sports editor of the Star-Telegram of Cowtown notoriety, Frank and his advisors realized that there was no future in amateur boxing in Texas for a boy who could not hear. With due appreciation to the various neighboring states whose fair-minded sports writers extended invitations to Frank to move within their borders, Frank, nevertheless, decided to try his punch in the professional ranks.

In his pro debut, Frankie, as the sports writers call him, won handily over highly regarded Earl Pardon of Monroe, Louisiana. In his four-rounder, the judges gave Frankie a top-heavy vote of 40-26 decision. The Louisiana promoter later remarked that Frank was one of the best small boxers he had ever had over there.

His second pro fight was in the favored confines of City Colliseum against a tall, rangy Charles Larry, 118 of San Antonio. Frankie wasted little time racking up victory number 2 as he flattened Larry in a mere 47 seconds of the first round. He weighed 116 for this bout, lightest fighter an the night's card.

Several months later, December 13, 1955, while weighing 122, Duran was hard put to nail down opponents in his weight division and agreed to take on big and tough Doug Harris of Austin who tipped the scales at 128. Again Frankie demonstrated the power of his left hook by laying Harris out on the deck in 1:40 of the first round.

In his most recent engagement, Duran again had to go out of his weight division, drawing Ellis Cortez, 127, of Houston. At 121 pounds, Frank had to go the full four rounds, but was still very impressive in his unanimous decision. In all of his pro fights, Duran has not yet been "marked." Most impressive of all is the four straight victories in four

Frankie is now training for more fights and will step up to sixrounders. His trainer, Louie Munoz, believes in bringing his boys along slowly and it seems to suit the conscientious, easygoing Frankie just fine.

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Josephine Vanzo	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Watson	10.00
John Lewis Webb	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wesolowski	20.00
Mr. and Mrs. Anthony M. J. Yovino-Youn	g 5.00

New Century Club Members

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Berke Mrs. Mary Freeman

NAD RALLIES

The Home Office is very happy to report that during the past two months, we have been receiving contributions from various local organizations money raised mostly by N.A.D. Rallies. There seems to be a multitude of ways to raise money for the N.A.D. Some of the groups have put on suppers, do-nating the proceeds to the N.A.D. Others have put on shows, charging admission and sending these funds to the Home Office as their contribution to N.A.D.'s progress. Still others, have had large rallies with guest speakers from members of the N.A.D. Board. In some instances, funds have been withdrawn from the Club's treasury to show the stand they take behind the work the N.A.D. is doing. The smallest donation from these groups of hard working

people is just as important as the funds the larger cities are able to raise. These efforts to raise money and to increase memberships also serve to acquaint many of the deaf with what the N.A.D. is for and its importance in the life of each individual deaf person.

Home Office Visitors

Vacation time is here and the wanderlust begins. It seems everybody eventually gets around to visiting California. We are so pleased when a new, smiling face appears at the door of our office and we see hands saying, "I'm deaf." These "new" faces, we find, are from all over the country. Some are just passing through and others are visiting friends and relatives in neighboring cities. Busy as the office is, we are never too busy to show our visitors their NAD Home Office. Among some of our recent out-of-town guests were:

Archie Benolkin, of Minneapolis, Minnesota; K. G. Willman of Los Angeles, California; Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Michael of New York City; Mrs. Frieda Meagher (Our April Cover-Girl) of Chicago, Illinois; Mrs. Mittie Williams, who hails from nearby Evanston, Illinois; Irving Simon, of Boston, Massachusetts; Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Chase, of San Diego, California; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe N. Malm, of Topeka, Kansas.

Among our latest Century Club members are a vacationing couple from San Diego, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chase. After a short tour of the office, they pre-

sented the N. A.D. with two fifty-dollar bills. Mr. Chase has been a Life Member since 1922. He tells us it was Dr. Cloud who suggested he become a Life Member, after being an Annual Member for three successive prior years. With their Century Club Membership, Mrs. Chase is now a Life Member.

We at the Home Office know so many of you by name, by correspondence and by occasional pictures appearing in the SILENT WORKER, but we keep hoping we'll have the opportunity to meet you in person. When you are in the vicinity, be sure to "drop-in" to see *your* home office.

Mrs. Dora Kenner

Just as this issue was ready to go to press, we received word from New York City that Mrs. Dora Kenner, wife of Marcus L. Kenner, Board Member and former President, suddenly passed away. We are deeply grieved at the untimely death of Mrs. Kenner. She will be remembered by those who have met and known her for her willingness to serve, her ready smile, and energetic manner. To Mr. Kenner and family we extend our profound sympathy in his hour of bereavement.

Schedule of Membership Fees

Annual Membership \$ 2.00
Life Membership 20.00
Century Club (open to any per-
son, couple, association, etc100.00
Dollar-A-Month Club (includes
monthly issue of Silent
Worker) 1.00
(or more, per person, per mo.)
Affiliation (for State Associations,
Clubs and other groups) 10.00
(or more, annually)

Dates Ahead

Date Event		City
July 4-7 — Mississippi As	ssociation Convention	Jackson, Mississippi
July 4-7 — Iowa Associat	ion of Deaf Convention	Ottumwa, Iowa
July 4-8 — Hebrew Assoc	iation of Deaf Convention	New York City, N. Y.
July 4-8 — North Dakota	Association Convention	Bismarck, North Dakota
July 5-7 — Virginia Asso	ciation Convention	Richmond, Virginia
July 5-8 — Alabama Asso	ociation of Deaf Convention	Mobile, Alabama
July 12-15 — South Caro	lina Association Convention	Myrtle Beach, S. C.
July 15-21 — Int. Catholi	c Deaf Assoc. Convention	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
July 17-20 — Eastern Car	nada Assoc. Convention	Halifax, Nova Scotia
July 19-22 - North Caro	lina Association Convention	Charlotte, N. C.
August 1-5 — Michigan	Association of Deaf Convention	onDetroit, Mich.
August 17-19 — P.S.A.D.	Convention	Harrisburg, Penna.
August 17-19 — Kansas A	ssociation of Deaf Convention	Topeka, Kansas
Aug. 29-Sept. 1 — E.S.A.I	O. Convention	Albany, New York
Aug. 31-Sept. 3 — West V	irginia Association Convention	Wheeling, W. Va.
Aug. 31-Sept.3 — ASD Al	umni Association Convention	Little Rock, Ark.
Aug. 31-Sept. 3 — Calif. A	Association of Deaf Convention	Riverside, Calif.
Sept. 1-Sept. 3 — N.B. Ga	allaudet Association Convention	Portland, Maine
November 24 — Chicago	Club of Deaf - NAD Rally	Chicago, Ill.

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